1882.
Jan 1

Sunday.
The New Year opens bright & cheeringly.

Jan. 2

Monday. Holiday. Bright with cold north wind. Came to the Gallery at 10 ½ a.m. though feeling very unwell. The crowd near the President's House at first was small owing to the cutting wind.

2 negatives of Hermes taken

Mr Rice's operator came and took two negatives of the "Hermes & Dionysos" one from the knees of "Hermes" & one from the plinth. They promise to turn out very good.

Jan 3.

Bright & cold. I am in better health to-day.

Letter from T.A. Richards, Secy. of the N.Y. Academy of design in reply to my call for information about illustrations for Catalogue.

Sent to Mr Hyde bills of Mr Mitchell, Newton, & Schneider & Sons.

Sent to Earle & Sons Phila. bill for photos. $8.00.

Sent to Mr Keyser Balt. my newspaper notice of Clytie, & stated there was no charge for bringing in here the statue, but would be when removed.
Hooe Bros. sent bill for copyists' mats made $21.25.

John is to remove the ashes from the cellar for $7.00.
At work on my Annual Report.
V. 546 C. 21 $5.25 P. $1.50

Jan. 4

Wednesday. Bright and still very cold.
Placed copyists' mats in the Gallery.
$5.00 paid for "Boyd's Directory".

August no. of Art Amateur wanting.

$1.37 paid to Boardman, & sent his bill (larger) to Mr Hyde and requested Mr B. to send up Art-Amateur for August as we never got it.

Mr Fleischmann called & said Mr Borries wished to send two more landscapes here for sale. Told him we had no room for more than one. Mrs. Borries soon came & urged me to visit her husband's studio, & look at his pictures, and shortly after Mr Corcoran came in & complained of Mrs. B. seeking him about ~~her~~ the same thing, & was disgusted that she should think the Gallery would buy them. I have remarked for 8 years how differently foreign artists act from native artists, about their pictures brought here for sale. The Germans are almost offensively persisent in ~~fo~~ urging the sale of theirs, on the plea of poverty or ^for^ some other reason.

Mr Mooney applied to copy Whittredge's landscape, but declined until he had put on a copy of his copy of "Corday", ~~the fact~~ ↑~~such~~↓ which I saw for sale, the fact that it was a copy. He did so.

Invited Dr Welling to call, & discuss amendments to Regr. for Copy.

John Mann is removing ashes.

Dr Frank Ferguson of N. Y. introduced by a friend there.
V. 10 + 5 $25.25 C. 6 $1.50
Mrs Stillson engaged to copy "Golden Gate".

Jan. 5

Fall of snow and to-day – The first one. Picture Gallery very dark. At home until noon, at work on my Report.

Case for Bronzes

Case for Bronzes arrived from Baltimore: one end ^of frame^ broken, & got Mr Taylor to repair, & engaged to paint white the back & sides.

Mr Bryan and Miss Barbour called.

Fearful signs of leaks outside the west wall of building. Sent for Mr Hyde.

More pencil marks by some blackguard on one the small figures by M. Angelo, in east gallery. Done soon after the gallery was open. It is hard to detect them.

Sent postal to Mr Richards acknowledging his letter.

Dr Barbarin wrote to Mr Clark stating the condition of the leaks as seen on West Wall.

Wrote to Mr Rhees of the "Smithsonian" asking the vols of "Memorials of Profr Henry" & "Life & Writings of James Smithson", were presented by him to me, or to the Gallery.

V. 225 C. 24 $6.00 P 75cts

Jan. 6

Cloudy & raw. The snow very soft.

Curator's Record book rec'd from Boardman. Returned it to have "Curator's" stamped on the back.

Cheque for $8.00 rec'd from Earle & Sons, Phila.

Private letter from H.W. Robbins landscapist N.Y. He says he is painting a picture for Academy's Exhibition and afterwards would like to exhibit it here.

Mr Hyde called, examined leaks, & says a new roof is needed.

Letter from Mr Rouzee introducing Mr Hartwell to copy casts.

Mr J. C. McGuire called. He has been very ill, & looks badly.

Dr Welling called agrees with the modifications of the copyists' Regulations I suggested.

Repair of Drouth in Egypt.

Mr Fletcher artist called. We examined the "Drouth in Egypt", & thinks it does not yet require repair: but when needed, will do it for $150.

V. 46 + 2 $11.50 C. 5 $1.25 P. $8.0

Jan. 7

Bright & very mild. Rapid melting of snow.

At home until noon, on my Report.

Note from Mr Rhees, stating the books he sent were for me.

V. 470 C. 25 $6.20 P. $5.50

Jan. 8

Sunday. Mild and foggy.

Jan. 9.

Bright & mild – snow nearly all gone.

Rec'd from Mr Rhees another copy of memorials of Profr Henry for the Gallery.

Mr Taylor came, & having arranged bronzes in the new case placed it in the Gallery in west window.

Mrs. Borries called again with two of her husband's pictures "The Old Willow" $300. & Large lake of Konigsberger $600, she again urged her husband's wants.

Meeting (Annual) of the Board at noon.
Present Messrs. Welling, Hyde, Matthews, Baird, Clarke, & Kauffmann, Mr Corcoran was present.
Reports were read & received including the Curator's suggestions were referrd to Committees.
Mr F. B. McGuire was elected Trustee in place of Mr G.W. Riggs deceased & appointed on the Art-Committee, (over night-exhibitions were ordered, commencing on Thursday Jan. 12.
A letter from Dr J. M. Toner presenting an exquisite Medal of Benjamin West presented President of the Royal Academy London 1811, "to perpetuate his name by the presentation of his picture of "Christ in the Temple" to the British Institution," was submitted through Mr Kauffmann, & the gift accepted with thanks, & the Curator directed to acknowledge it.

The different committees were appointed as newly constituted. Salaries of employees $6.024
Receipts (clear of outlay) 3.450.29. Excess of exp. $2.53.71.
Messrs. Clark & Kauffman approved the Curator's suggestion for illustrations to the Catalogue.
$100, voted for Contingent Fund.
Mr Corcoran wished me to notice in the papers Dr Page's present of his wife's portrait.

Wrote to Mr F. B. McGuire, congratulating him on his election as Trustee.
The applications to sell the following works of Art were referred to Art. Com: "Forging the Shaft" "German Forest" "Old Willow "Lake near Konigsberg" "The Forgotten Toast" Portrait of Judge Marshall" & statue of "~~Clytie~~" Psyche.
V. 45 $11.25 C 4 $1.00 P. 75
The "West medal has on its face a profile bust portrait of West in strong relief & around it "Benjn West, Prest of the Royal Academy 1815" & on the reverse forty names, ~~of those w~~ ^in the centre of which are the words "Under the Regency"^ & around them "Respectfully to perpetuate the names of those who in 1811, subscribed to purchase in

1811, the picture of "Christ in the Temple for the gallery of the British Institution & around the edge "Presented by Mr West to the Right Hon. the Earl of Spencer 1815.

Jan 10

Cloudy rainy.

Letter form Miss Hallowell in reply to my call for information about illustrations for catalogues.

Moses sent his men to fix the gallery screens. They are to attach separate cords of drab color to each screen & in that way there will be no difficulty in working them.

Mrs Ulke called & urged me to help the purchase of Mr Borries' pictures by the Gallery. This confirms what I have said about the Germans in persistence.

Mr F. B. McGuire called. Congratulated him in person on his trusteeship.

Dr Page of Conn. who presented his wife's portrait to the Gallery, called for the first time. He is charmed with the collection & building, & delighted with the position of his wife's portrait.

Contingent Fund

Got Contingent fund $100 from Mr Hyde.

Rice sent up 4 proofs of Hermes – very fine.
Mr Corcoran told me that a" Director wishes me to take down "Moses" & replace it with "The Drouth", which I will.
Sent Abstract of my Report to "Star".
Mr Flaherty explained to me how the leak in the Gallery occurred.
Wrote to Rice to furnish 50 copies of each "Hermes".
V. 510 C. 28 $7.00 P. $7.50

Jan. 11

Cloudy and raining.

Letter from J. K. Brady 109 ½ Howard St Balt. offering a Guido for $120! Replied "not buying old pictures".

Mr Flaherty came & said leaks were all stopped.

Wrote to Miss J.B. Lombard stating that "Corday" was at her disposal for copying, & hoped she wd. say if she will copy now.

Informed Mr Hyde of Mr Corcoran's aversion to paying for notices of the Gallery in the papers, & that I had not advertised the night exhibitions. I was directed to see Mr Kauffman ("Star" office) and if that paper did not notice the opening night without charge, not to open the Gallery at night at all. Saw Mr K. who wrote a notice, which however did not appear in to-night's "Star".

Mr Corcoran called. He does not like Borries' "Old Willow." I read to him Miss Ferguson's letter, but in the midst of it, the Chinese Embassy came in the Gallery, so I postponed the reading. We joined the Embassy in the gallery, one of whom remembered me. He & another speak a little English, but the Minister does not. He is a fine tall fellow. They were all in there ^national^ costume ^of^ very rich material. They seemed more taken with Brown's little of the boy smoking "~~Before~~ & "Allegro & Penseroso" than any other picture. They went off, two of them repeating "Come & see me!"
V. 99 + 13 $24.75 C. 8 $2.00 P. 2 $1.50

Jan. 12

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Powers' but of Andrew Jackson

Letter from Ed. O. Kindberg 2 Barclay St. N.Y. has for sale (in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, a marble bust of Andrew Jackson by Hiram powers.

Mr Clark called. Says the Art Committee will meet every Monday at 1.p.m. that Mr Kauffman is chairman, that Mr F. B. McGuire is appointed a member.

Mr Matthews has not filled up the minutes of Annual Meeting. At Mr Clark's suggestion, wrote to Dr Welling to send the official list of committees, & to Mr Walters notifying him of the weekly meeting of the Art-Committee.

Mr Miller will come here to examine the defects & leaks in the roof of the building.

Wrote to Dr Toner conveying the thanks of the Board for his present of the meda (bronze) medal of Benn. West, prepared by the Royal Academy London, 1811.

Owing to the advertisement or notice of the Thursday night exhibitions, not being in the paper until this evening, there were few visitors to-night.

First night-exhibition

V. (Day	640		C.	34	$8.50
V. Night	75	$6.50	C.	3	75
	715	$6.50	C.	3	$9.25

Jan. 13

Friday. Snow, rain turning into slush.

Photos. to Earle & Co.

Postal from Earle & Sons Phila. ordering 3 large Cordays. Sent.

Mr Flaherty came & stated there was still moisture in the corners of the Main & West galleries.

Note from Mr J.A. Dole, Chicago Interstate Industrial Exposition introducing Mr Reynolds Secy. of it, & his friend Mr Haskell.

Five sections of ^"Art^ Treasures of America" on Indian Paper, sent here from some unknown person.

Mr F.B. McGuire has permitted a lady to take from the Gallery 2 nos. of the Art Amateur.
V. 83 + 9 $20.75 P. 1. 75cts.

Jan. 14

Bright with bracing north-west wind.

Mr D~~u~~rant of Phila. came with a note of introduction from Mr. G. Barrie. This gentleman sent up the sections of "Art Treasures in America" received yesterday, & from which note I am inclined the above work is a present to me. ~~Wrote to him~~. Mr Drant is to call for names of prominent citizens who may subscribe to the works.

Mrs Dr Towle called & wished to exhibit a copy of R. Peale's portrait (oval) of Washington. Told her would not have room for indefinite time.

Miss Lockwood called & said she would send for her picture of "He's coming" this afternoon to change it.

Placed some of our photo portraits in the Album, & will write for more.

Mr Corcoran called while I was out, to hear the rest of Miss Ferguson's letter.

Wrote to F.B. McGuire Esq. that the Art Committee is to meet at 1 p. m. on Monday.

Wrote to Miss Sara T. Hallowell N.J. for cost of artist coming here to draw pictures &c for catalogue.
Sent to Rice for 25 Endymions 12 x 16.

Dr. Welling brought in the official list of the committees.
V. 700 C. 32 $8.00 P. 20 $18.00

Jan. 16

Monday. Cloudy & mild. Signs of rain.

Note from S. Keyser Balt. requesting to know the decision of the Board on ~~Clytie~~ Psyche.

Miss Lockwood sent an order for her "He's coming". Sent it.

Mrs Lombard & Mrs Jewell called. The former will copy the "Corday" as soon as the proposed amendments to the Regulations are made.

Mr Rogers electrician came & discovered one of the wives of the gas-lights broken.

Wrote to Mrs. Shedd.

Meeting of the Art Committee

Meeting of the Art Committee at noon. Present, Messrs. Kauffmann (Chairman) Clark & McGuire. The Curator attended as Secretary to present the suggestions contained in his Annual Report, & which were referred by the Board to said Committee.

Amendment of Rules for Copyists

Instructions to Curator

The special subject for reference (the only one noticed in the minutes of Board's meeting, though Mr Clark said all the ~~references~~ suggestions of the Curator were referred to the Art Committee for its action) was the question of Amending the "Copyists Regulations. These rules were all read & acted upon, embracing several important amendments. These are:
1st. All copies are to be submitted for approval to the Art Committee & not to be removed from the Trustees' Room until approved.
2. All copies of copies are to bear on their faces the name of the original artist, as well as of the copyist, and the Curator is to place on the buck of each canvas, before it leaves the gallery are inscription by stencil plate that it is copied from the original picture in the Corcoran Gallery of Art.
3. No copy of a picture or part of a picture shall be made except one third at least, smaller in direction than the original canvas.
These Rules as amended were ordered to be printed & a proof submitted at the next meeting of the Committee on Monday 23d. Jany.

Pictures for purchase declined

Before proceeding to the above amendments, the Committee took action upon the most important work – the applications for purchase of several works of Art, and the following were considered.
1 T.F. Wier's "Forging of the Shaft" Price $3,500
2 "North German Forest" by Albert Borries Price $1,500
3 "Large Lake near Koenigsberg" by Albert Borries Price $600
4 "Old Willow" by Albert Borries Price $300
5 Portrait of Chief Justice John Marshall T. Sully Price $1,000
6 "The Forgotten Toast" by Miss C.W. Conaut, 1,000
7 Marble statue of "Psyche" by E. Keyser 2,000

The Committee after due deliberation decided not to recommend to the Board of Trustees for purchase, and ordered the Curator to notify the artists & owners of the above works, of their decision.

Mrs. O. H. Lackey's request for approval in the Trustees' Room of a large View of Constantinople granted.

Letter from E.O. Kindberg offering Hiram Powers' marble bust of Andrew Jackson, ~~off~~ was read, & Curator directed to reply that such a work must be seen to be judged of, & that he must state the price.

The Curator's suggestions about more casts were postponed until the next meeting, in the meantime the Curator is to inquire what casts are needed & can be got. The Committee then adjourned, but afterwards it was thought necessary to take steps to send away many of the old pictures, that have been in the corner galleries for years – notably the "Columbus".

Notified Messrs. Weir, Keyser, & Fleischman (agent for A. Borris) of the adverse action of the ~~Boar~~ Committee on their works offered for sale.

V. 70 + 5 $17.50 C. 4 $1.00 P. 3 $2.00

Jan. 17

Fall of snow that did not stick – afterwards cold & rough.

Letter for the "President of the Board of Trustees" from ^American Legation^ Vienna, Directed & mailed it to Dr Welling.

Sent a letter of thanks to Mr Barrie for his superb present to me.

Wrote Mrs. O.H. Lackey that she could send "Constantinople" here to be examined by Art Committee before being exhibited.

Sent under cover to Horatio King, Committee's adverse decision against her "Forgotten Toast."

Saw Mr Clements, State Dept. about the "Columbus" picture. I am to write to him officially about its removals & he will write its owner, a Mr Thompson, who lives at Southampton, England.

Inadvertently opened a letter left here, directed to Mr Corcoran sent it with explanation.

Note from J.H. Niemuyer, Yale School of Art, thanking me for use of Bruccianis catalogue (which he returns) & asks for Catalogue which I sent with "postal".

Sent photo of Clytie (Rinehart's) to Miss Ferguson, Va.

V. 325 C. 39 $9.75 P. 8 $5.50

Jan. 18

Wednesday. Cold and cloudy.

Letter from Irving P. Wranger, Norristown Pa. enclosing a cheque for one dollar, for an entire subject of "Vestal Tuccia to be sent with his card (enclosed to Miss Alice Custer, Norristown Pa. Sent the photo to Miss C. & returned the cheque & asked him to enclose a dollar note.

Gibson Bros. sent up proof of Amended Rules for Copyists.

Mr Taylor modifying book-case.

Mr Collin sculptor called.

Stencil plate ordered for copies

Engaged Mr Whitehand to make a brass Stencil-plate for stamping copies of pictures, which will brush and ink is to cost $2.50. Bought Record for Art. Committee $1.75.

Miss A.M. Snyder called with sample of painting to copy.

Saw three large copies of our pictures to-day, all signed by the copyist only.

Rice sent up photos 29 Small Hermes, 47 Large do, 19 small "Pastoral Visits", & 42 Cordays 12 x 16- 6 L. Vestal.

Leakage of gas from the gasometer.

Mrs Lackey called & will send the "Constantinople" as soon as I am ready. It was painted ^for the "Centennial"^ by her uncle J.O. de Montalent of Va.
V. 143 + 6 $35.75 C. 16 $4.00 P. 4 $3.00

Jan. 19

Thurday. Bright very mild day, after heavy rain last night no leaks in the gallery.

Private note from Mr Barrie, Phila. acknowledging my letter of thanks.

Mr Walters' Tadema, "Sappho."

Letter from Mr Walters Balt. enclosing card of admission to his gallery (15 new additions) to see his "Sappho" just arrived. He states that a Mr Deschamps of France, representing Tadema is in this country with photos of his pictures, and ~~represe~~ he thinks the "Corcoran" ought to buy one of his paintings.

Wrote to H.W. Robbins, artist, hoping he will send the picture he ^promises^.

Mr Corcoran called. He directs me to write to Mr Ezekiel about the statues ordered.

Miss Snyder called & got card for copying.

M. brought a copy of a head in oil, which Mr F. B. McGuire passed. She got a copyists' card.

Mr F. B. McGuire called. He may go with me to Balt. on Sunday to see Mr Walters' gallery.

V. 580 (Day) C. 47 $11.75 P. 7 $7.75

Night 167 x 12 $16.70 C. 17 $4.25 ____
759 $16.70 64 $16.00 P. 7 $7.75

Jan. 20

Cloudy & raw – Signs of snow.

Letter for Dr. J. C. Welling rec'd. Sent it to him.

Letter from Dielitz about casts with bills.

Letter at last from Dielitz Berlin (at last) enclosing the bill for the 4 casts obtained for him. The prices are the same as those ~~charged~~ named in his letters Mch. 4/87. Got Mr Andrews to translate it to give to Mr Hyde asked Mr A. his price for Prests. Johnson &

Hayes. He said $150 for the first, $250 for Hayes, & for them & a portrait of Garfield $450.

Mr. Whitehead brought the Stencil Plate for copyists pictures & I paid him $1.50. Gave him an order to replace the lost metal checks on number.

Col. Clark called for list of pictures bought last year.

Mr Rakeman called ~~f~~ with colored sketch of frescoing the ceiling of The Trustees' Room.

Mr Rice sent up ~~fr~~ six copies of "Parthenon" 12 x 16.

Sent large & small photos of "Hermes", to Mrs. F.H. Wigfall 64, Oak St. Baltimore.

Wrote to Mr Walters, about the visit of F.B. McGuire & self at his Gallery.

Wrote to E. O. Kindberg, 2. Barclay St. N.Y. in reply to offer of bust of Andrew Jackson by Hiram Powers.

Mrs. Karl (Miss Lycett) called & arranged for binding our periodicals &c.

Letter from Miss S.T. Hallowell. Smilie of N.Y. will write to me the illustrations for Catalogue. She speaks rapturously of the 4 "Tademas" in N.Y. Wrote to her to find out price & learn the subjects.

Wrote to Miss Riggs for a photograph of her father the late Geo. W. Riggs, Trustee, to be placed in a photograph in this office to hold photos. of Mr Corcoran, the Trustees, & eminent artists.

V. 123 + 8 $20.75 C. 15 $3.75 P. 5 $3.75

Jan. 21

Heavy rain last night, & this morning.

Letter from I.P. Wanger, Norristown enclosing dollar note. Acknowledged it & sent charge of 12cts ~~for~~ in stamps.

Engaged in preparing the next edition of the Catalogue. Mr. Corcoran came in & requested me to put to the picture of Fun & Fright in the Catalogue the name given to it by the artist "The Masque", which I will do by prefix, though "False-face" would be better, as "Masque" does not designate the subject precisely.

Mr Corcoran tells me that the letter I sent to Dr. Welling from Vienna, was from our minister there Mr Phelps who writes that he has some fine pictures to dispose of.

I read to Mr Corcoran Miss Hallowell's letter about the Tademas & he shewed a letter from Miss Hendren Norfolk, painter of fish, & game, asking his "influence" to help her.

Wrote to Mr Ezekiel about the statues he promised.

Note from Miss Riggs enclosing a carte de visite photo of her father which was evidently taken sometime ago, but very pleasant. She will have some taken from Elliott's portrait of her father, & will send one. Asks who can do it well, and I recommended Mr Rice.

V. 265 C. 20 $5.00 P. 7 $4.25

Jan. 23

Very cold northwester, but bright & bracing.

Put the 33 pages of the new edition of the Catalogue in Gibson's hands, with several additions & amendments.

The wind last night tore from its hinges a door opening into the main tower, which fell into the court below. The wind then forced its way into the tower over the Octagon, lifted a moveable pane of the skylight, & it fell into the room below. Mr Taylor replaced the hinges of the door. Will get Newto to replace glass.

Postal from J. H. Nieymeyer, New Haven, thanking & complimenting me for the Catalogue. Thinks the Barye bronzes, & Hildersheims will cost him a trip to Washington.

Volume ~~of~~ about "James' Fountain N.Y. rec'd-

Rec'd a volume containing a photo of the ~~Inaugur~~ James Fountain which I saw Inaugurated in N.York last autumn, and the proceedings, speeches &c. I presume it came from ~~Mr~~ Dr Corning Art Lecturer, & when certain of it & have his address will acknowledge it.

2 weekly meeting of the Art-Committee

Art Committee met here at 1. p. m. Messrs. Kauffmann, Clark, & McGuire present. Curator read the proceedings of the last meeting, which was approved. The principal business was action on the "Regulation for Copyists" proofs of them as amended at the last meeting, were submitted. The only additional amendment ^made^ was in Para. 7, which orders that all pictures of & over six feet in length or height, should be reduced one half either way.

Mr Kauffmann stated as Dr Welling wished to ^see^ the rules as amended before being finally printed, he would enclose a copy to him with explanations about the last amendment.

Purchase of Index to Appleton's Cyclopedia

A lady book-agent ^Mrs. Mann^ had brought here just before the meeting an Index to the 16 vols of Appleton's Cyclopedia. This was under the authority of the Board to purchase the former also was authorized to buy this volume.
Further action about the Catalogue & the purchase of new casts was laid over until more definite information as to the cost of both & the subjects of the latter is collected.

Mr Corcoran called & said he would visit Baltimore tomorrow to see Mr Walters' new picture.

Letter from Mr Walters about the visit of Mr McGuire & myself to his Gallery. Mr McGuire will go any day I ~~will~~ may fix upon.

Saw with Mr Kauffmann's Miss Hendren's fish & game pictures at Barlow's. Nothing extraordinary. Mr K. agrees with me about the expediency of having not only photos of the Trustees in our Album, but portraits also on the walls.

Mr Phelps' paintings to be exhibited here.

Dr Welling brought here the letter from Vienna I sent to him. It is from Mr Phelps, our minister to Austria, who offers to send some of his paintings now in N. York, to this Gallery for exhibition. Enclosed is a letter from W.E. Bond (agent) to Dr W. stating he will soon pack the pictures & send them on.
Gave to Mr Hyde Dielitz's bill for casts, & Mrs Mann's for "Index" $7.00.
V. 83 + 9 92 C. 11 $2.75 P. 6 $8.25

Jan. 24

Tuesday. Very cold, but bright & bracing.

R.N. Brooke artist, called & wishes to exhibit another negro-subject in the Gallery in ten days.

"Decapitation of St. John"

Letter from Geo. Corliss Pa. Acady in reference to cost of ^illustrated^ Catalogues. He says he will give an itemized statement of relative cost of them & plain. He says he has yet in the Acady, "The Decapitation of St. John" by Chas. S. Pearce, ^of^ Boston, which he thinks would be an acquisition to the Gallery – no price given – Answered, & asked the price, & stated the "items" of the cost of the catalogues, not in his letter.

Private letter from Miss Ferguson. Has rec'd the photo of Clytie & my postal, but not my letter of Jan. 8. but asks me not to "re-write it until I hear from her.

Mr Corcoran has gone to Baltimore.

Whitcomb's request for night exhibn. extra

Mr Whitcomb the getter-up of excursion parties from Mass, is here again with over 300 persons, since Saturday, and again has called to see if the Gallery can be opened to gratify them- I told him it would be open night after tomorrow, and as his party were not to leave until Thursday morning, they could attend that night & leave at 9.p.m. That however did not suit his arrangements so he asked Mr Hyde, who telegraphed to Mr Corcoran for instructions.

Printed letter from Lieut, Vance, Brownsville, Texas, asking for a catalogue of our casts & pictures with prices – sent it.

V. 650 C. 63 $15.75 P. 15 $10.60

Jan. 25

Wednesday. Very cold last night – heavy snow to-day.

Night-exhibitn this evening not tomorrow

Mr Hyde orders (from Mr Corcoran) that the gallery be lighted to-night but not to-morrow (Thursday) to gratify the northern excursionists, & no charge to be made to any one: also to advertise the change in "Star" & "Critic." Did so.

Mr Cassels called to ask the name of a picture I painted for Mr Geo. Parker in 1845, which he bought at a sale at Mr P.'s house as a view on "Rock Creek", but which was taken from a print called "Outlet of Lake George." Will go & see it.

Mr Lamb called. Mr Ryneal brought a handsome calendar as a gift to me.

Mr Febrey got a card to copy a flower-piece.

Photos of busts of "Evangeline" & "Contadina" by Preston Powers

Letter from Mrs. Lizzie Powers Patterson, Cincinti. O. enclosing photos of marble busts by Preston Powers representing "Evangeline", & a "Contadina" whose mere physical traits contrast the spiritual aspect of the former. They are for sale for $500 a-piece. The ~~first~~ original marble bust is in Boston.
I met Mrs P. & her husband in the Gallery many years ago, & gathered much information about Hiram Powers, whose niece she is, receiving from her some photos of the latter's family.

Jackson's bust by H. Powers. $1500.

Letter from E. O. Kindberg N.Y. Price of H. Powers' bust of Jackson $1,500.

Prices of Tadema's picture in New York

Letter from Miss Hallowell N.Y. enclosing a list of the Tademas their subjects, & prices. "Spring Festival" 34 ½ in ↑H.↓ x 20 ½ in $12.500.

"Spring" 9 in. ↑H.↓ x 14 in ↑W.↓ $3,000. "In the tepidarium" $6,000 9 ½ in ↑H.↓ x 13. ↑W.↓ Big prices indeed! but Miss H. says the last one (nude) is the finest without exception, she ever saw." She says Mr Walters was expected in New York this week.

From R.M. Lindsay Phila. lists of Foreign Books & Prints – also an etching from a colossal Bust of Lorenzo di Medici in Florence, marked as from "L'Art."

Dr Welling endorses Rules for Copyists as amended.

Messrs. Kauffmann & F.B. McGuire called. I read to them the above letters. Regarding the ^Preston^ Powers busts they did not regard them worthy of purchase for this Gallery, & Mr K. read a letter from Mr Brainard offering one of them "Evangeline" for $600. Mr Kauffman also left a letter to him from Dr Welling endorsing the Art Committee's amendments. He & Mr McGuire amended the 7th Para, so as to make all pictures six feet long the subject of reduction in copying. A few more amendments were made, & the Rules were sent to the printer as amended. Mr K. left also a French Catalogue of old pictures, & busts.

Wrote to Mrs. Lombard, giving the required size for her canvas, as one third either way of the original picture of C. Corday.

Price sent up 15 "Hermes" 12 x 16 & 5 "Parthenon" 12 x 16.

John Mann removed snow from pavement.
Wrote to J.D Witman artist, Phila. about removing "Challenge".
Wrote to Mrs Lackey to send view of Constantinople by Friday or after.
V. (Day) 79 + 28 $19.75 C. 17 $4.25
V. (Night 290 _____ C. 51 12.75 P. 24 $18.00
Total 397 $19.75 68 $17.00

Jan. 26

Thursday. Milder but rainy, with sleety side walks & sloppy streets.
Last night the pavement were too slippery for me to attend the night-exhibition which was well attended by the excursionists from Mass.

Whitcomb's book of his excursion-parties, states the Gallery would be lighted for them by "special invitation!"

A book descriptive of the above excursion to this city and Richmond was found in the Gallery, & in it Mr Whitcomb (the manager) coolly tells the public that "a special invitation to attend the night-exhibition of this Gallery, was extended to the excursionists!" Though when he was applying for the privilege ^the other day^ he spoke as if he felt doubtful of its being granted. Some of his party last night stated that he assured them before coming here, that the Gallery would be lighted for them.

Last night a piece of the upper edge of the cornice of the Main Gallery over Mr Corcoran's portrait fell to the floor & was broken to pieces-leaving a conspicuous gap.

Rec'd from & sent back to Gibson & Co. 1st part of proofs of Catalogue also the second & remaining portion.

Mr Corcoran called & I read to him the draft of his letter to Mr. J.F. Kensett's nephew Mr which he liked & took away to copy & send it to the latter.

Barlow's order for 12 Cordays.

Mr Barlow sent an order for six copies each of the large and medium photo of Corday, with a request to send bill for them & previous ones.
V. 340 C 40 $10.00 P. 9 $5.75

Jan. 27

Bright, and very mild. A wonderful change.

Telegram that Witman's new picture on its way. "Challenge" sent back to him.

Last night received at home telegram from J.D. Witman Phila. that his new picture was shipped yesterday, & asking to have the "Challenge" shipped in the box of the new one-Replied that we have the box of "Challenge", & to save time have packed it in that. Taylor boxed it, & it was sent to-day.

Note from Mrs. Lackey, that "Constantinople" will be here at 11 a.m.

Weir wants his picture sent to N. Orleans

Letter from Profr Weir. Wishes to send "Forging the Shaft" to New Orleans to reach the exhibition there by the 15th. & asks if it can be done. Telephoned to Knox to know, ^Fast^ Freight on it $14.00 to take 3 weeks. Adams' Express change $114.00 - $60.00 on value of picture. Telegraphed this to Weir.

Arrival of view of Constantinople

Mrs. Lackey's picture came at 11 o'clock. It is an interesting view of "Constantinople", well-drawn, & with good perspective, though it lacks softness of aerial effect, & the green foliage is crude in color. It is by J.O. de Montalant, Rome, 1875.

Printed Copyists' Rules received

Gibson sent up new Regulations for Copyists, & I distributed them.

Arrival of "New Year's Eve" Fairmont Park Y. Witman

Was about sending "Challenge" by express, when we rec'd a box from Phila. containing the new picture – "Fairmont Avenue – Phila. "New Year's Eve" without frame. Luckily the "Challenge" had not left so we unboxed it, took it from its frame, which was kept for the new picture. Sent the bill.

Mr Hyde's letter & bill to Dielitz

Mr Hyde sent up his letter to Dielitz with bill for 530.09. Marks, which I enclosed in a letter to that gentleman. Mailed to-day.

Messrs. F. B. McGuire & Kauffmann called. They like the "Constantinople" very much.

Miss Snyder for a week engaged in copying the ~~Charlo~~ "Fun & Fright," wished to stop, & copy "Corday" as Mrs Lombard waived her right to it in favor of Miss L. Her request was refused as contrary to Para. 6 of the Rules, ~~but~~ but though she has just signed them, thinks it hard to refuse her request!

V. 142 + 2 $35.50 C. 18 $4.50 P. 6 $4.50

Jan 28

Hail at dawn, & afterwards a heavy shower.

Telegram dated yesterday rec'd from Mr Weir, telling me "not to send the picture away", as it is impossible for it to reach N. Orleans) "in time". & "see letter". His letter came asking me to hold the picture until he ordered it to be sent somewhere. Thinks he will send it to Phila. freight to N. Orleans being too great.

Mr Clark (Educational Bureau) called. Has a letter from Mr Koehler who is to lecture on Art before the Washington Art Club. Referred him to Mr Miller or Mr Messer, artists.

Informed Mr Corcoran of the new pictures brought here.

Wrote to Mr Witman Phila. & sent bill for packing pictures.

Wrote to Profr. Weir, stated ^to him^ no offer was made for his picture referred him to Mr Corliss Phila. & asked to take his picture hence as soon as possible.

Mr Corcoran called & examined the "Constantinople" & "New Year's Eve". He seems to have a bad cold and looks weary. He did not see Mr Walters' Gallery or "Tadema", when in Baltimore.

V. 340 C. 30 $7.50 P. 1 .50cts

Jan. 31.

Monday. Very cold early this morning – not so much so as yesterday which was the coldest day this season. The temperature is milder as the day advances.

Mr Abercrombie came & left a letter to the Art Committee asking permission to exhibit for sale. Sully's portrait of Genl Sir Ralph Abercrombie.

Mr Ran, Balt. called & got his cheque for bronze case.

Mrs Towle called & asked if we had room for her copy of Washington by R. Peale. Told her we had none, & her picture being a copy cannot be exhibited here.

Mrs Colegrove came & resumed her copy of "Lost Dogs".

Hung the "Constantinople" & "New Year's Eve" in the corner galleries.

Mr A. Borris sent for his two copies, & took them away.

Mr Corcoran & young lady-friend called & examined the new pictures on exhibition.

Notice from the N.Y. Ev'g Post about renewal of subsn. from Feb. 25/82. Sent 3 dollars in a letter.

Meeting of the Art Committee

The Art Committee met at 1 p. m. Messrs. Kauffman, Clark & McGuire.
Mr Abercrombie was voted leave to exhibit Sir Ralph's portrait. It is a copy by Sully in 1830, from the original in Scotland, belonging to Lord Dunfermline.
Miss Hallowell's letter about ~~the il~~ Mr Smilie & the Tademas was read.

Mr Kindberg's letter about Powers bust of Jackson ↑$1,500↓ referred to the Board.

Mrs. Patterson's & Mr Brainard's letters about the busts by P. Powers referred to the Board, "not recommending their purchase".

Action on copies of pictures

Several pictures by Copyists were examined. Mr Mooney's "Trout Brook," was approved & passed. Miss Ninomo's "Fisher Boy" was allowed to be "withdrawn, unfinished" & Miss Passmore's "Drove at the Ford" returned to her for further work.

Quarterly report of proceedings ordered

It was agreed that the Committee will submit to the Board at its quarterly meetings, a Report of its proceedings.
No further action taken about the illustrated Catalogue & new casts.
V. 115 $28.75 C. 14 $3.50 P. 9 $6.75

Jan. 31

Tuesday. Heavy snow. Gallery dark.
Engaged J. Mann to remove snow from pavements.

Mr F. B. McGuire called. Looked over the financial Reports & thinks we ought to publish them.

Note from C.S. Sweet, inquiring for the address of Thos. Ball sculptor. Answered did not know but would enquire.

Telegram from Profr Wier to send his picture to Phila. Academy of Fine Arts- uinsured.
Ordered Adams to come for it, & wrote to Weir.
Section X of Art Treasures for Mr Corcoran sent here by him.

Sent photo of "Hermes" to Mr Ward, sculptor, N.Y. & wrote him.

Wrote up the Art Committee's proceedings.

Maj. Williams, U.S. Marines, called & invited to visit his studio at the Barracks.

V. 160 C. 18 $4.50 P. 9 $6.75

Feby 1

Wednesday. Bright & mild, snow rapidly melting.
Good sleighing.

Gave to Mr Rice order for 50 Cordays 12 x 16 – 30 "Sacred Bull" 12 x 16. & he will come to see about photographing Mr Corcoran's bust by Rinehart. Certified his bill & gave it to Mr Hyde.

Mr Hyde sent up a letter from a Mr Stauffer Pa (Lebanon) asking for price & sizes of photos. Its spelling amused Mr Corcoran very much. Sent printed list, & postal.

Registered letter from Mr Witman enclosing $1.50 for packing picture. Gave it to Williams, & wrote him. ~~en-~~

Letter from Profr. Weir enclosing cheque for $3.00 for Williams, which I returned receipted & said his picture went away yesterday.

Mr M.W. Hamilton Va. inquires price of catalogue. Postal sent.

Dr R. B. Benner, Concord N.H. paid for five unmounted photos of "Lost Dogs" (2) – Corday (2) & Pastoral Visit (1). Sent for the "Dogs" to Jouy, & for the others to Rice.

Miss Passmore called, & will work on her "Drove" on Friday.

Mr Pickett, son of Col Pickett (owner of the Pulaski bust, called with a letter to me from J.J. Stewart (recently deceased) stating that the bust belonged to Col. Pickett.

Mr Boardman, bookseller, has sold out to a Mr Vischer. Mr Taylor clerk there, sent up something to hold catalogues, but it won't do.

Mr Corcoran called & stated that the cabinet size for his bust photograph, would be preferred.

Mr Ashby of Alexa. came with a letter from Dr. R. C. Powell, & wishes to be put in the way of getting instruction in mathematical drawing.

V. 90 + 7 $22.50 C. 21 $5.25 P. 3 $4.75

Feb. 2

Thursday. Bright & mild. Snow almost gone.

Miss Hallowell & Mr Dole of the Chicago Inter-state Exposition called. She said she would see Mr Smilie on her return to New York & declares Tadema's "Tepidarium" to be the finest picture she ever saw of its kind, & well worth $6,000.
Mr Pack photographer N.Y. called to identify photo 22 of Cesnola's antique statues.
Mr Wm. W. Blackford called & on examining the "St. Memin Portraits" stated that the "S. Minor" in it was his grandfather Genl John Minor of whom he has the original plate portrait by St. Memin, who ran away from "Wm & Mary College," when only 15 to join the Revolutionary Army as a private in Nelson's Light Horse – all through the war - & a General.
V. Day 700 C. 50 $12.50 P. 9 $5.50
V. Night 180 $17.50 C. 13 3.25 $15.75

Mr Clark Mills called. He is making money out of his cast of Guiteau's head.

Photos. from Dr. Jouy

Rec'd from Dr Jouy 29 "Lost Dogs" 7. Fontainebleau 12 Cabt. "V. Nun". 1. "Forced Prayer" and 3 unmounted photos of "Lost Dogs".

Feb. 3

Friday. Bright and mild.

The attendance last night was only 175. Messrs Hyde & McGuire were here.

Portrait of Mr Wye Lloyd of Wye, Md, His history

Judge Mackay told me his wife was great-grand-daughter of the Mr Lloyd of Wye, dressed in scarlet with wig & sword whose portrait is exhibited here, & he wishes to have a copy made of it. I told him he must get permission from the owner. He says this Mr Lloyd was Lord Chamberlin to George I – or II, before emigrating to the eastern shore of Maryland, where he named the Wye river after the river in Wales where his estate was. I will give him the name of the depositor of the picture.

Wrote to Mr Corliss Phila. about Catalogues & Pearce's picture.

Sent ^large^ copies of "Hermes" to H.K. Brown Eq. & Miss Tunstall, and wrote to both.

Mr. F.B. McGuire called.

Replied to S. Edward Price Balt. about the "Talking Well".

Mr Deschamps agent of Tadema calls.

Mr. Deschamps, agent for Mr Tadema, called with a letter of introduction from Mr Walters Balt, son of Wm. T. He brought two of photos of pictures by Tademas, one of Mr Walters' "Sappho", & the other representing the assassins of Caligula discovering Claudius who had hidden himself, but whom they afterwards made emperor. This last is a very classical dramatic picture. Mr Deschamps states that he is now in this country to get orders for Mr Tademas & the pictures are quietly exhibited as specimens, though he is willing to sell them. I urged him to exhibit them in this room before the Art Committee & others, & he consented to bring them over here on Monday before the Art-Committee meets. He tells me Tadema paints pictures 6 feet long- but at prices like £ 3000. He is not rich as he has not painted many pictures considering his fame. He paints elaborately & with great finish. He hurries none of his work. He is about 45, & his fame broke out in 1865, when all his previous pictures were eagerly sought for. In 25 years, Mr D. states that Tadema has only painted 229 pictures. He is a man of society, a great favorite of the Prince of Wales. Mr Deschamps has known him intimately for many years, & is his

business man. Mr D. is an Englishman of French extraction, and has all his life been in the art trade, and hung the pictures of the British Section in the Exposition of 1878.

Sent last proofs of new Catalogue to Gibson.
V. 112 + 5 $28.00 C. 14 $3.50 P. $2.25

Major Curtis brought in & left two oil sketches from nature of scenes in the white mountains U. H. by T. Hill, Boston, painter of California Scenery.

Feb. 4

Another heavy fall of snow.

Leaks in the skylights of main & skylight galleries.

Letter from J. H. Stauffer Lebanon Pa. enclosing five dollars for photos. of Vestal & Corday 12 x 16 & Corday 18 x 22. $4.50. Sent them by express, & also a catalogue 25cts. returning 25cts. in currency. Wrote to him.

Mr Taylor took away a part of my desk for alteration, yesterday, & will do something more to other parts to-day. He is also on Monday to raise the two suits of armor in the Bronze Hall above the wainscoting. This will prevent the public from ^indulging^ its ~~h~~ habit of pulling at the hands, arms, & visors of the armor, loosening the rivets.

The snow has fallen heavily until 2 p.m. when it became lighter, with a prospect of ending in rain. So mote it be!

The Picture-galleries have remained very dark all day.

Wrote to F.B. McGuire of Mr Deschamps coming here on Monday next- also to Mr Edd. Clark.

V. 104 C. 15 $3.75 P. 3 $4.50

Feb. 6

Monday. The deep snow of Saturday rapidly melted under the warm sun yesterday (Sunday) and it is feeling the effects of the bright mild air to-day, though the streets are full of snow yet, & the walking bad.

Letter from Mr Corliss Phila. giving items of costs of catalogues & illustrations. Also recommends the “Decapitation of St. John” by Pearce, to whom he has written for leave to send it here.

Letter from Mr Abercrombie stating that the portrait of Sir Ralph has been sent to New York, & nothing can be done until he goes there & obtains possession of it. It looks as if other relatives claimed it.

Mr Taylor set up the suits of armor above the wainscoting.

Bouton's bill for 4. vol of "L'Art" rec'd & sent to Mr Hyde.

A box containing a painting was rec'd from N. York, by Adams' Express on which I paid $4.00 freight. I first supposed it contained the expected Tademas, but the picture is very likely one of the collection of Mr Phelps, though I have rec'd no letter from his Agent Mr Bond. The painting is by G. Clausen /81. and represents a street scene in Spring. On one side the wall of a park - & a distant church on the other. In the street a group of workmen picking the stone-blocks, on the pavement on the left in the immediate foreground, a handsome lady & little girl. The lower part of the figure of the former is not shewn, it disappearing at the edge of the Canvas, & half of the girl is also invisible. The lady holds a bouquet of spring-flowers. Close to the wall beyond, a young girl is seated on a bench, & beyond in the middle-distance, is a sturdy flower-woman holding a basket of flowers. Notwithstanding the odd idea of the foreground figures being cut short by the edge of the canvas, the work is well executed in a broad vigorous style in the manner of the French school. It is well-drawn, very atmospheric, & with excellent perspective.

Sent a note to Mr Corcoran of the above, and shortly after Mr Deschamps came in with two small Tademas, & surprised me by stating that the above large picture was sent here by him as a specimen of a strong British artist, & representing a street in the suburbs of London.
Mr D. then displayed the Tademas. The Tepidarium was one, & while it is certainly in the bust & arms a wonderful piece of work, the form from the hips down, in my opinion is neither graceful nor well modelled. The Roman girl fresh from the bath, lies on a marble couch with a marble wall behind her, a lion's skin is partly under her, & hangs over the couch. Her head reclines back, & the left hand ^holds^ a large purplish feather across her hips. The sentiment of the subject is that of languid voluptuous repose, with no refinement in it except that of the technique. Price $6,000. The other picture is a scene in the Borghese Garden, with two women in the foreground, one gathering flowers. A strong gleam on the gravel walk beyond near a fountain & other figures is very vivid, but the whole work, to my mind, is of little interest. After the meeting ~~of~~ the ~~Board~~ Committee, Mr Deschamps was introduced to it & gave interesting facts about the artist and his works, their sizes & prices. He stated that one of the three feet by six, cost $17,500. The Committee intimated a wish to have someday a fine large picture by Tadema, & Mr D. said he would advise it of the conversation he would have with Mr T. on his return to England (he sails on the 22d.) as to some suitable subject & price.
Mr Deschamps exhibited also a photo of the "Sappho" & the "Claudius", which gave us a fine idea of the classical excellence & vigor of Tadema, not seen in "Tepidarium." He left at 4 p.m. & sent away the "Clausen", as he did not wish to leave it longer. The other "Tadema" that was to come to Baltimore ^in time^ was ordered back.

Mr Corcoran called but as the Chinese Minister was here to meet him, he did not remain long after glancing at the Tademas" & "Clausen". Mr Bartlett came with the Minister, & Mr Corcoran & myself were surprised to learn that the Chinese party here a fortnight ago, was not that of the minister, as we were told.

Mr McDonald, sculptor N.Y. came in. He will remain some weeks. He does not like the "Tepidarium".

Wrote to Mr Corliss, & told him the Committee granted leave to Mr Pearce to exhibit his "Decapitation of St John Baptist" here. The committee will pay freight if necessary.

V. 88 + 11 $22.00 C. 12 $2.95

Bright & mild. Snow melting rapidly.

Sent duplicate of Mr Dielitz's bill for casts to him in a letter.

Taylor made wooden tablets for description of armor & Mr Newton took away one to letter it.

Mr Andrews called. He never saw the specimen of painting brought by Miss Babcock-only told if she copied here, she would assist.

Mr Rice will send unmounted photos for Dr Benner tomorrow.

Lieut Reed who copied here a year ago, called. I introduced him to Mr Corcoran who was present, & the latter desired me to write to Mr Walters in his name for a card of admission to his gallery, which I did, & asked that it might admit also Mrs. Reed.

Ordered 500 blank receipts from "MacLeod & Bawsell".

Miss Passmore called & was told her "Drove" had passed.

Dr Barbarin left at 3 p.m.

V. 630 C. 35 $8.75 P. 5 $2.75

Feb. 8

Cloudy & raw, signs of rain early, but clear in the afternoon.

Letter from Wm. Spurgeon, Balt, to know the nights of exhibition. Answered.

Letter from J.H. Stauffer, Lebanon Pa. enclosing a dollar for single figure of "Vestal". Sent it with letter.

Rice sent up unmounted photos & from Pa large lot mounted as follows:
9 copies of Hermes & Dionysos 12 x 16
10 copies of Parthenon (not Pastoral Visit" 12 x 16
10 copies of Corday 12 x 16
4 copies of Hermes & Dionysos 1.8 x 22
42 copies of Vestal (figure) 1.8 x 22
2 copies unmounted Corday 12 x 16
1 copies do Pastoral Visit 12 x 16
Returned to Rice six 12 x 16 "Vestal" (figure) untitled.

Card from Miss L. E. Leftwich Rome, Ga asking for size of "Corday". Wrote to her & enclosed copy of "Regulations" with Par. 7. marked.

Mr & Mrs. Gardner Sharon Springs, came with Mr F.B. McGuire.

Sent the 5 unmounted photos ordered by Dr R.B. Benner, Concord N.H. to him – as follows:

Mr & Mrs. O. H. Lackey called & were pleased with the Constantinople.

One of the lady-copyists reported loud talking & laughing from some of the other ladies & Martin (keeper) for which I had to reprove the latter for allowing. The same complainant stated she had been insulted in the wash-room by other ladies' sneering manner. I spoke to latter & hope it will not be repeated.

V. 107 x 7 $26.75 C. 17 $4.25 P. 5 $3.50

Feb. 9

Raining and very mild.

Note from Miss Babcock by her father who brought two of her pictures, original, & from life. One a dog, & the other a tumbler of flowers", which she wishes to substitute for the sketch left before.

Wrote to Mr Smilie (Jas. D.) 337 4th. Av. for information as cost of drawings & engraving illustrations for catalogue.

Mr F.B. McGuire called. We will visit Mr Walters' gallery in Balt. tomorrow – leaving at 9.30 a.m. Wrote to Mr Walters.

Mr Corcoran called with the Misses Robinson. Told him of Mr Andrews' prices for the Presidential portraits, & he replied that they were not wanted at the figures given.

Genl. D.T. Gordon & ladies called to see the portrait of his relative Vice Prest. Danl. D. Tompkins' portrait by Jarvis. He drew out his papers about its authenticity & said he would either lay it before the Art Committee or Trustees for purchase.

V. 250 (Day)		C. 22	$5.50	P. 5	$3.25
V. 39 Night	$3.80	C 4	1.00	P. 3	2.00
289 Night	$3.80		$6.50		$5.25

Feb. 10

Bright, windy and pleasantly cool.

Went to see Mr Walters' Gallery in Balt. with Mr F. B. McGuire at 9.30 a.m. Mr Walters did not meet us, nor did he send a message. We staid until 1, o'clock there, & examined carefully the novelties. The "Sappho" by Tadema surpassed my expectations. A few points, however were objectionable – the eyes of Sappho are not expressive enough – there was not the light of enwrapt interest in the music of Alcaeus, shining in them which I ~~associate~~ expected to see, & the face generally does ~~th~~ not represent the "burning Sappho that loved & sung" in the "Isles of Greece". Her elbow too is decidedly too sharp. The drawn-up legs of Alcaeus made be natural while holding his lyre, but they look stiff & angular. Lastly the distant sea on the right does not recede airily, but the ^green^ color rises as strong & solid to the horizon, as it looks below & near the eye. Otherwise the picture seems perfect. The other Tademas are not of great interest except the "My sister is not within", representing a Roman girl holding a curtain tight across a door to prevent the entrance of a man whose head only is thrust through one corner of it. The "sister" is drawn up on a seat near the door to keep out of sight.

Secy of War, Lincoln, sent word to get Thos. Ball's address. Dr Barbarin replied we had it not.

Miss Cox wishes to finish a picture from general imitation of flesh of others.
Mr Crawford is permitted to copy figures from "Passing Regiment".

V. 105 $24.75 C. 12 $3.00 P. 2 $1.5o

Feb. 11

Bright and mild. My overcoat stolen from my hall this morning & went to Police Head Quarters to notify them.

Letter rec'd here for me yesterday from Mr Walters expressing his pleasure to hear of our gratification with Tadema's work.

Letter from S. E. Price Balt. about the "Talking Well" legend.

Rec'd from D.T. Gordon letter offering for sale portrait of Ex. Prest. D.T. Tompkins – Price $5,000!!!

Letter from ^Jas.^ D. Smilie artist N.Y. about illustrated catalogues. He declines doing the drawings on account of his professional work, advises to have them etched on copper, & to send one dollar to J. C. Nicoll 57. West 10th. St N.Y. for copy of the Etching Exhibition Catalogue – 8 copperplate etchings. Sent to the latter for it, enclosing one dollar.

Mr Cobb of Boston applied for permission to exhibit here his brother's (Darius Cobb) portrait of Washington on Dorchester Heights", representing him out in a storm watching the British fleet. It is 8 ½ by 11 ft. Told him to write to Art Committee on Monday.

Mr Calvert called to speak of the C.W. Peale portrait of Washington in the Gallery. He holds a certificate from Count de Menou that he sold it to Chas. B. Calvert for $200.

Mrs. Guthrie of Portsmouth Va. called & spoke of an old Caravaggio she possess, "The Tribute Money" which she wishes to sell. Told her of the rule "not buying old pictures".

A.T. Herrmann ordered & paid for certain unmounted photos to be sent to him, San Jose, Cal. Sent to Rice & Jouy for them.

Messrs. F.B. McGuire & Kauffmann called, & they went with me to see Walker's picture of a Battery of U. S. Art, in Gen Sherman's office, who rec'd us pleasantly. The work in very true & literal but rather smooth & clean.

Mr Prince from Mr Rice called, & had the bust of Mr Corcoran brought in the office, to be photographed to-morrow.

V. 1050 C. 54 $13.50 P. 9 $8.25

New Edition (32d.) of the Catalogue issued.

Of the catalogues sold to-day, ten were of the last (31st) edition, forty-four of the new one.

From Rice rec'd 12 Cordays 12 x 16
6 Vestals (figure) 18 x 22
30 Sacred Bull 12 x 16
All accepted.

Feb. 13

Monday.
Mild & raining.
Mr Prince took two negatives of Mr Corcoran's bust yesterday.

Sent catalogue to Miss Tunstall.

Mr. Corcoran's sudden illness

Letter & newspaper to the "President or Secretary" was sent to Mr Hyde who returned them & said Mr Corcoran would come here & meet the Art Committee. Soon after we were told that he was taken with a chill at his office & had to go home.

Mr Cobb called with a letter asking permission to exhibit here his brother's picture with newspaper extracts.

The Art Committee met at 1 p. m. all the members present. Leave was granted to exhibit Cobb's "Washington at Dorchester".

Letter from J. A. Zahm Notre Dame offering a Vandyke with a newspaper critique (no price) was read & declined.
Portrait of Danl. D. Tompkins also declined.

The letter from James D. Smilie about illustrated Catalogues read, & filed for future reference. Curator to acknowledge it.

Miss Babcock's new specimen's of painting accepted and Mr Ferris' "Cascade" passed.

Miss Cox's application to bring an unfinished portrait here, & complete it with hints of flesh tints of the pictures in the Gallery, declined.

The Curator then urged the necessity of some specific rules being adopted by the Committee or the Board for the observance of the keepers of the Galleries. He submitted a sketch of such rules, and Mr Kauffmann took them away to condense and prepare them for recommendation to the Board of Trustees for adoption.

A lady in the Sculpture Hall to-day after looking at the statue of Sopocles, asked if that was the name that had made a voyage to the Artic Seas!

Mr Cobb was to bring the Washington here to-day, and to make room for it made a change in the S.W. Gallery.

Mr A.S. Barnes sent a number of monthly Magazine of American History by J. Austin Stevens for approval.

V. 72 + 1 $18.00 C. 16 $4.00 P. 3 $2.25

Feb. 14

Mild & bright.

Letter from J.2.A. Ward sculptor, acknowledging receipt of "Hermes" & stating his belief that Ball sculptor is in Florence.

Letter from Dr. W.J. Riggs, Irving House, Walnut St. Phila. enclosing money order for $2.50. for 2 "Cordays" 12 x 16, and 1 "Odalisque" 12 x 16 – Sent them.

Capt R. Vance's order

Printed money-order from Capt. R. Vance 19th. Inf. Fort Brown, Texas, enclosing money order for $2.50, for "Corday" 75cts –1 stereoscopic view of "Veiled Nun" & five stereo-views of interior of picture-gallery", each 25cts. Sent the "Corday" & stated that the Gallery views were old- & had no "Veiled Nun-" that we would get others. Sent Cabinet "V. Nun", Venus Group", two ~~C~~ each of Picture & Sculpture Galleries.

Cobb's "Washington" at Dorchester

Mr Taylor came & set up Cobb's "Washington". It is a picture of little merit. The head & face of the chief are badly modelled and expressionless.
Mr McGuire called. Does not like the "Washington".

Mr Corcoran called. Says he is very well. Brought an old portrait on panel of a daughter of old genl. Lee, father of Genl. Robt Lee, & on the back is "Miss Lucy Lee Carter portrait Sept. 19 1829". It is in bad order & Mr C. wants Mr F.B. McGuire to repair it.

Newton sent tablet for armor.

Rec'd from New York catalogues of the "Etching Club".
V. 525 C. 32 $8.00 P. 2 $1.50

Feb. 15

Bright and mild.

Mr Newton came & will letter (in gilt) cases of Barye Bronzes. Mr Taylor put on the tablet of Henry II's armor.

Miss Lockwood brought here her "He's coming!" Much improved.

Mr R.N. Brooke brought a single figure of a negro boy cleaning a copper vessel. His other picture is sent to New York.

On leave went with family & friends to the Navy Yard. Afterwards saw Capt Williams at the Marine Barracks & examined his original sketches of Athens & Jerusalem. Saw Mr Clark at the Capitol for a few minutes.

Dr Welling brought in a letter from Mr Bond N.Y. agent for Mr Welsh's pictures who says that as they are hung in Metropolitan Museum of Art, and Genl Cesnola would like to keep them there until the middle of April, he would like to gratify him. I told Dr W. that owing to the want of space now, we could well wait until April. Dr W says he told Mr Bond that the question must be settled between him & Mr Welsh.

V. 101 + 1 $25.25 C. 13 $3.25 P 14 $11.50

Feb. 16

Cloudy but mild. Signs of rain, which fell on the afternoon.

Arrival of C.S. Pearce's "Decapitation of St. John Baptist."

Box containing Pearce's "Decapitation of St John, Baptist, arrived 8 ½ a m. Had it brought in opened, & picture sketched & framed by Mr Taylor.

Artist's Record.

Letter from Geo. Corliss Phila. notifying me of the above stating the price as $3,000, & giving the record of the artist.
"Honorable Mention at the Paris Salon, 1881.
Medal at the M.C.M.A. Exhibition, Boston, 1881.
Prize of $300, for best figure piece, by Penn. Acady. of Fine Arts 1881.

The picture is a powerfully executed work. Its merits & demerits all of the French school. The drawing & pose of both figures is admirable, & the coloring is wonderfully life-like. St John with hands tied behind him, & bare except the loins wrapped about with an animal's skin, kneels & bows his head to the stroke of the scimitar which the cruel-faced executioner, holds ready, as he turns back his sleeve with his left hand. The scene is a painful one, & St John looks a common felon with no light of hope & faith in his weary eyes.

Mr Mayo & Sully's portrait of Judge Marshall

Mr Mayo, Richmond Va. called to see about the portrait of Chf. Justice John Marshall left here by Mrs Randolph. He is the executor of the estate of Mrs S.G. Allan, Richmond, for whose husband (deceased 1834) the picture was painted by Thos. Sully in 1834.

He asked for the papers vouching for its authenticity left here by Mrs. Randolph (and which I stated were left here July 23, 1878, in my journal), but they are not on our files & I think Mrs R. took them away subsequently. Mr. Mayo will call again.

Wrote to J.D. Smilie N.Y. acknowledging letter &c, & sent catalogues.

Wrote to Tice & Lynch N.Y. enclosing four dollars for subsn. to foreign periodicals furnished by B. F. Stevens, London, for November & December 1881.

Mr Guillaume took away the portrait of Mrs Carter by request of Mr Corcoran.

Mr. Newton lettered in gilt the Barye cases.

Left the gallery at 2 ½ p.m. & was too unwell to attend the night exhibition.

Large party of the Massachusetts Grange visited the gallery.
V. (Day) 525 C. 28 $7.00 P. 9 $8.70
V. (Night 27 $2.10 3 75
31 $7.75

Feb. 17

Bright and pleasantly cool.
Rice sent up proofs of Mr Corcoran's photo from bust.
Saw Mr Moses' clerk, who promises to come & remove the metal fixtures from the gas-rod of main gallery.

St Mary of Egypt

Sent word to Mr Corcoran about the picture here by Mr. Pearce.
Mr Solomons brought a photo of St Mary of Egypt, from a picture by G.D.M. Peixatto an American, which wishes to lay before the Art-Committee, for purchasing, the picture.
Mr Taylor removed "Columbus" & other pictures, for the "Decapitation.

Mr Mayo called to bid good bye. Mrs Randolph will return next month.

While at the Capitol Mr Corcoran, Mr Kauffman & Mr F.B. McGuire called. They examined the new pictures & liked them. Mr Corcoran wishes Rice to send up copies of the photo from his bust.

Ezekiel's statues of Leonardo & Titian shipped

A letter from G. Stein Rome, containing invoice & charges of Ezekiel's "Leonardo" & "Titian", shipped 31d Jan. £ 57. 6. 9.
V. 136 $32.50 C 10 $2.50 P. 9 $4.50

Feby. 18

Saturday. Very cold wind & bright sky.

Letter from Pfeiffer Bro. containing money order for $2.75 for photos. Acknowledged it. 79. Nassau St N.Y.

Letter from Dr Riggs Phila. acknowledging photos. but complaining of having had to pay $1.09cts letter postage, because the photos. (he was told by the Phila P.O.) could not be taken out without cutting or tearing that uncut part of the envelope an inch wide at either end.

Went to Customs' Dept. of the Treasury. Wrote a letter to the Secretary applying for instructions to the N.Y. Custom House, to pass free Ezekiel's statuary. With this was enclosed the certificate of Mr Richmond Consul General, Italy. Wrote to Messrs. Knauth, Mechod & Kuhne, N.Y.

A note from Mr S. H. Pearce 848, Washington St. Boston, expressing his gratification that his son's picture is in this Gallery.

V. 880 C. 34 $9.75

Feb. 20

Monday. Cloudy with some rain. Heavy rain yesterday.

Yesterday Mr Darrell came to my house & reported the cellar to be full of gas. Ordered him to shut off all the gas. To-day I find that is came from the sewer, as it did once before.

Letter from J.J. Gillespie & Co. Pittsburgh asking if our largest photo (the print proper) of Corday is 11 ½ x 15, & if photo of Lost Dogs was of the same size. Sent him the proper sizes – 11 ¼ x 14 ¾ & 7 ½ x 9 in.

Letter from O.A. Pennayer, Rockford Ill. stating he had seen a landscape 3 ft x 5. – the "Flemish Pasture by De Prueter of Bruges, Flanders. It contains cows & herder, & thinks that "before 1874, nothing in this Gallery, could compare with it". Was sent here (to this country) to sell for $800. Price now $400 – has a "temporary" frame.

The Art Committee met at 1.p.m. all the members present.
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Mr Stein's letter notifying the shipping of Ezekiel's statues was read, also one from O. A. Pennoyer. The purchase of the "Flemish Pasture" was declined, & the Curator directed to state it, also Mr Corliss' letter giving the record of Mr C.S. Pearce artistic honors, the

price of his picture as $3,000, and if we objected to paying the freight $9.70, he would make it right.
The Committee approved of the bill of freight by Mr Hyde.
The letter of Mr Pearce's (father of the artist) expressive of his gratification that his son's picture, was in this gallery was read.

The portrait of Judge John Marshall was considered as having been decided as ~~hav~~ finally acted upon at the last meeting, & not reconsidered.

The Chairman then submitted his prepared "Rules for the Keepers of the Galleries," made up from the Curators draft, and after a few emendations in the paragraphs successively read, they were adopted.
The Curator was directed to make copies of them, which after being endorsed by the Chairman (Mr Kauffman) as recommended for approval by the Building Committee were to be taken to Mr Hyde for his approval which with that of Mr Clarke (also a member of the B. Committee) would be sufficient for their immediate enforcement.

V. 97 + 22 $24.25 C. 17 $3.75 P. 3 $3.50

Feb. 21

Cloudy and with heavy showers, unpromising outlook for the Reception to Mr Corcoran to be held this morning at Masonic Temple, under the auspices of the Art Club, but chiefly for up by several citizens. The guests are limited.

Letter from M. Ezekiel, Feb. 5, stating that the two statues were shipped. He has been ill. He tells me he does not know the prices of the casts I wrote about, but will inquire.

Acknowledged the letter from Knauth, Nacod & Kuhne, & told them Secy of Treasy, had sent instructions to the N.Y. Custom H to pass the statues free – also to send their bill with freight.

Wrote to Mr D.D.T. Gordon stating that the purchase of Jarvis' portrait of Vice Prest. D.D. Tompkins was declined.

Letter from the Secy of Treasy stating he had instructed N.Y. Custom H to pass the statues free.

Wrote to Dr J.W. Riggs Phila. about the overcharge on his photos.

Saw Mr Clarke about the <u>keepers Rules</u>, he wrote a note for Mr Kauffmann to endorse on them; & directed me to take them to Mr Hyde for his approval. Mr Clark will also consult him about the pedestals for the coming statues.

Mr Kauffmann called & reports Mr Corcoran in good spirits.

Genl. Van Vliet called, & spoke of one of Stanley's Indian pictures.
The sun came out at 3 p.m. & gives promise of a pleasant night.
V. 440 C. 45 $11.25 P. 7 $6.75

Tuesday night.
Reception to Mr Corcoran at Masonic Temple.

The reception went off splendidly. The weather was favorable, & by 8 ½ o'clock all the guests were present, & just enough of them to be present. Mr Corcoran was early on the ground in good condition. He occupied the centre of a raised platform at the east end & was attended on either side by committee men to introduce guests. A fine orchestra at the other end discoursed excellent music, & many canary-birds added their songs. The hall was draped beautifully. Mr Blaine's speech was admirable. At 9 o'clock the guests went to a stand up supper, abundant enough, with coffee & no wine. At ten o'clock dancing began & the affair closed at 12 o'clock. The President was there early for a few minutes.

An album containing sketches in oil & water-colors by each member of the Art-Club, was presented to Mr Corcoran.

[The following is a newspaper clipping pasted into the volume.]

Complimentary Reception to Mr. W. W. Corcoran-A Brilliant Assembly-Congratulatory Address by Mr. Blaine.
Washington, Feb. 21.—The reception tendered Mr. W. W. Corcoran this evening at Masonic Temple, originally the project of the Washington Art Club, widened until the management included the leading Senators and Representatives. The hall was beautifully decorated with flags and lace draperies, similar to the elaborate decorations of the charity ball. The platform was transformed into a bower of floral gorgeousness. Many beautiful palms and ferns were arranged as an effective background to the central portion where the guest of honor stood to receive the greetings of his friends, Mr Kauffman, the president of the Art Club, making the presentations. The programme of the evening, after the reception, was an address by Hon. James G. Blaine, followed by an adjournment to supper, served in a very handsome style in the dining-room adjoining.
Mr. Blaine was introduced by Mr. Kaufman in a few and well-chosen remarks, and said: "Mr. Corcoran, the Art Club of Washington desires in this way to manifest its sincere respect for you, and personally to express their joyful appreciation of your liberality in every good work. They have invited your friends to assist them in this manifestation of their good wishes. Having filled the allotted three-score and ten, and even four-score finds you in the full enjoyment of your mental activity, your life represents the life of the national capital, its foundation, its growth and its present prosperity. When you were born Washington was yet living on the opposite shores of the Potomac. The republic then numbered five millions, and it now stands the proudest nation in the world. Your life, so full of good and unselfish acts, stands a noble example for future generations. The Art Club bids you welcome and introduces these good friends, who represent a host

of others. It desires to express its gratitude of all for all you have done for them and for this city, with which your honored name will be indissolubly associated.
Mr. Corcoran, with deep feeling, responded as follows: "Grateful to you, dear sir, for the words you have spoken, to the gentlemen of the Art Club, and to the people of Washington for this manifestation of their kindness. I can only say, ladies and gentlemen, from the depths of my heart, I thank you."
He received many congratulations on his vigorous appearance, and was in the best of health and spirits. Contrary to the wishes of his friends, he insisted on standing to acknowledge their greetings. During the reception the hall presented a most animated appearance. The invitations were distributed among the very cream of society, and the entire affair partook of the character of a private entertainment. The dressing was unusually handsome, many exquisite toilets being worn. The extent of the hall and the brightness and brilliancy of the decorations were conducive to the display of fine dressing. After Mr. Blaine's arrival he remained beside Mr. Corcoran, assisting on the reception.

Feb. 22

Ash-Wednesday & Washington's Birth-Day.

The Gallery was open as usual, but being pay-day, visitors not very many.
Weather bright, windy & cold.

Letter from Miss S.T.B. ^Po'keepsie^ Morse stating her mother Mrs. S.F.B. Morse wished to sell "The Dying Hercules" painted by her husband (the inventor of the Magnetic Telegraph).

Letter from Mr Deschamps agent for Tadema, asking if he left the Clausen picture here until April 10, there would be any chance of being "kept"? Price $2200. Wishes to hear by telegram before he leaves on Saturday 25th.
The military white & colored paraded separately.
Mr Pratt called & took away Mrs. Greatorex's portrait & landscape.

While at church Messrs. Kauffman & McGuire called to see a picture ~~ans~~ which the latter understood me to tell him was to be sent here from the "Smithsonian Institution" – 10 feet long & 3 ft high- an old picture of a battle. Mr Elroy told me it was coming, but I said I knew nothing about it, & just them Mr McG. came up & I mentioned to him what McElroy said, whereupon he got the idea, the old picture was coming here.

Mr Corcoran called weary & drowsy. At his request I read Miss Ferguson's letter to him which pleased him, though he fell asleep twice in the reading. The excitement of last night no doubt caused it.
Miss Ex. Secy Blaine came in & inquired for his health.
34 "Cordays" 12 x 16 from Rice – 33 small Cordays from Jouy.
V. 204 $51.00 C. 30 $7.50 P. $2.50

Feb. 23

Bright, breezy and very cold.

Letter from J.J. Gillespie, Pittsburgh, containing money order of $9.50. for 4 largest "Cordays" & 2 "Lost Dogs" 12 x 16. Sent them by express & wrote.

Letter from H.K. Brown sculptor, acknowledging "Hermes".

Mr Solomons called to see if anything had been done about the photo of "St Mary of Egypt".

Mrs. Merrick, Mrs Brown & two other ladies called to examine the busts of Mr Corcoran & Dr Hall, & said they had Mr C's permission to have his bust taken for the Orphan Asylum. Asked who was best sculptor.

Took the "Keeper's Rules" to Mr Hyde. He rather demurs to doing anything until a consultation of the two Committees is held. Got from him $9.70 in repayment of the freight for the "St John the Baptist". Gave the bill to Dr Barbarin.

Answered Mr O.A. Pennoyer's letter, declining the purchase of the "The Flemish Pasture", as ordered by A. Committee also Mr Corliss's letter about the picture by C. S. Pearce and the letter from S.H. Pearce father of the artist.

Miss Dupay brought two specimens of painting.

V. 675 (Day)	$22	C. 42	$10.50	P. 18	$18.75
V. 232 (Night)	$22.00	C. 39	9.75		
907	$22.00	81	$20.25		$18.75

Feb. 24

Very cold, cloudy & signs of snow.

The attendance last night was very good.

Regnault's "Automedon & Horses of Achilles at Mr Morton's sale of pictures New York.

Messrs. F.B. McGuire & Kauffmann came last night. They propose to attend the sale of pictures belonging to Mr Morton (our minister at Paris) in New York on Tuesday & Wednesday, Feb. 28 & March 1st. which contains several fine works. Chief of them is Regnault's superb painting of "Automedon & the horses of Achilles" bought by Mr Morton in Paris in 1868. It is 124 in x 129 in- ~~new~~. This is thought to be an attractive picture for this gallery, and no doubt, will bring a high price. Works by Corot,

Bougoinreau McEntee are also in the collection. Messrs McG. & K. will see Mr Corcoran today & urge the purchase (if possible) of the Regnault.
Mr Corcoran met Messrs McGuire & Kauffmann here at 1 p.m. & consulted about purchasing the Regnault. He, evidently does not like the subject. The two trustees will ~~allen~~ go to New York, and report about the pictures ^before the sale.^

Mr Kauffman left a letter from Brooke, artist of "Pastoral Visit" asking for permission to have a full-page ~~illus~~ engraving of that picture to be made for Harper's Magazine-to be submitted to the Art Committee.

Portrait by Sir J. Reynolds in 1763-4.

Letter (by mail) from Mr Hyde, addressed to Mr Corcoran from W.S. Taylor 64 Yates st. Norfolk Va, about a picture by Sir Joshua Reynolds in 1763-4 of the "second Warner Lewis (of Warner Hall, he thinks) painted when the subject was 19 years of age, & in England, no price is given.

Letter from Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne N.Y. enclosing a blank form of oath to be returned before the statues are passed through the Custom House N.Y. showing they are intended for this Gallery. Filled the form & swore to it before Mr Hyde, & mailed it.

Mr Corcoran requested me to write to Mr Taylor Norfolk a second letter (withholding the first) asking him to forward the portrait by Sir Joshua, stating price & evidences of originality.

There will be no meeting of the Art Committee on Monday next.

Messrs. McDonald & Brady called.

Miss Dupay called & stated to our surprise that the specimens of painting were not both her own – that the head was painted by Mrs Courtney, and the flowers by herself. She was told this was not so understood by herself. She will have to submit a head ^or figure^ if she wishes to copy figures.

Edmund Law Rogers of Balt. came & brought photos.

V. 142 + 10 $35.50 C. 14 $3.50 P. 3 $2.25

Feb. 25

Bright and cool.

Letter (postal card) from S.H. Pearce, Boston asking if his son's picture had reached here safely.

Bill for Annual Subsn. to International Review rec'd. Sent check.

Box containing a picture of a head, (much injured &old) addressed to Mr Corcoran, rec'd by express. Paid freight $2.65.

Saw Mr Andrews' full-length "Garfield" – Head good, but the figure stiff, because of the smooth unwrinkled coat & trousers. Saw McDonald's bust of Prest. Arthur (in clay) very good.

Mr Walker artist called & admired the work of the "Decapitation of St. John."

Mr Kauffmann called before leaving (tomorrow) for New York.

Mrs F.B. McGuire & Mrs Jos. McGuire called. The former admired Pearce's picture in spite of the painfulness of the subject.

Wrote to Miss E. L. Morse, Poughkeepsie, about the "Dying Hercules".

Mr. & Mrs Clark, & Miss Clark, & sister of Mrs. C. called to see Pearce's picture which they liked. Mr Corcoran called at the same time.

V. 1000 C. 59 $14.75 P. 2 $1.50

Feby 27

Monday. Bright & mild.

Memorial services for Prest. Garfield. Departments all closed.

Letter from S.H. Pearce Boston, in reference to his son's picture.

Ordered 6 more mats for copyists from Hooe. Bros.

Mr Francis Lamb called.

V. 123 + 8 $30.75 C 17 $4.25 P. 3 $2.75

Feby 28.

Last day of Feby. Cloudy, raw, signs of rain.

Letter from W. S. Taylor Norfolk Va. states he has sent my letter calling for evidence of the authenticity of the "Sir Joshua Reynolds" to its owner, the direct descendent of the subject of the portrait. Has the picture ready for shipment.

Receipt for $5.00, subscription for /82, form International Review Co.

Card from Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne N.Y. will ship statues according to orders.

Rec'd pamplet "Address on the Capitol & Washington at the beginning of this century" by J.H.B. Latrobe, Balt. before the "American Institute of Architects", Washington, Nov. 16 /81.

Mrs Lackey called with a connected series of photos of Constantinople. I gave her the latin inscription (written) under the print of "Aurora", the source of which I never found, & she will send it to a friend in Europe to tell me.

Mr Corcoran's sketch of L'Enfant, the French engineer who laid out this city

Mr Corcoran called. I shewed him the old picture sent from New Bedford. He does not seem pleased with it. He tells me he had a letter from Mr Kauffmann N.Y. to-day who expresses his disappointment over the Morton collection –including Regnault's "Horses of Achilles" –which is not desirable. Had some interesting talk with Mr C. about L'Enfant the French engineer who laid out this city. He says he had a long-hooked nose, wore a bell-crowned French hat, greasy & napless, a very high black cravat, & a long blue frock coat buttoned up to the throat, & showing no sign of linen in the neck, breast or sleeves. He died in 1825 very poor. He came out to America in 1877 with the French allies.

Dr Barbarin left at 1 p.m. & said that if unwell, he would not be back to-day, & perhaps not to-morrow.

Mr Hopper N.Y. called & said he would bring here tomorrow for Mr Corcoran to see, a colored series of photos (in quarto portfolio) of master-pieces of French art, published by Goupil & co. 1000 copies only are printed & ten he has brought here. They are sold privately – 100 prints altogether - $125.

Card of Mary Wager-Fisher, Correspondent of "American Register" left for Mr Corcoran.

V. 535 C. 28 $7.00

6 mats for copyists sent up by Hooe Bros.

March 1.

Wednesday. March "comes in like a weeping lamb." Heavy showers, but with a mild temperature.

Dr. Barbarin absent to-day from indisposition.

Mr Clarke came and authorized me in writing, to send by Mr Miller the bust of Pulaski to the Capitol for examination by the Library Committee, as requested by in a note to me from Jno S. Pickett, to deliver it to Mr Clarke. The bust & wooden pedestal were taken away.

Letter from W.H. Eckman, City Clerk, Cleveland O. says he is of the Committee for procuring casts for an Art School there, and requests a copy of our catalogue with prices marked of casts, how obtained &c with other information. Sent it & wrote.

Note from Ada B. Harden, Chicago, asking price of catalogue. Answered.

Mr Hopper called without the portfolio of Goupil's work. He went to see if Mr Corcoran could come up. Later in the day Mr C. came in & was disappointed on not finding the work here. He says he had a heavy fall to-day.

Dr Jouy brought a lot of photos.

V. 108 $27.00 C. 13 $3.25 P. 3 $2.00

Mch 2

Bright and very mild.

Dr Barbarin called while I was out, and said he was too unwell to remain.

Mrs. Fassett called to ask permission to exhibit a bust portrait of Garfield here. She will write a request to the Art-Committee.

Mr Corcoran returned "Harper" & "Century" for Feby. He came in with Mr ~~Hy~~ Clarke. The latter told me to tell Mr Bradley to call & see Mr Hyde in reference to the stone for the new statues.

Mr Hyde sent up the "Rules for Keepers of the Galleries" with an additional rule declaring that if they persist in errors after proof, they will be discharged.

Mr McDonald (sculptor) & a Dr Porter-called. The latter is to bring here a portrait of Chief Justice Taney which the owner wishes to sell.

Sorted Jouy's photographs.

Mr. Walker (artist called, also Clark Mills Sculptor.

Wrote to Mr Bradley to call at Mr Hyde's office.

Inattention of both keepers of the galleries

The night was mild & beautiful with moonlight. Both keepers of the galleries did not appear in the evening until of the door was opened to the public. Mr Hyde was here, & I called his attention to it.

V. (Day)	600		C. 25	$6.25	P. 7	$5.25
V. (Night	216	$21.10	C. 4	1.00	P. 1	75
Total	816	$21.10	C. 29	$7.25	P.	$6.00

Mch. 3

Bright & mild – no fire. Ther. in this room at 3 p.m. 73˚.

Dr Barbarin on duty until 2 p.m. then went home.

S.F.B. Morse's "Dying Hercules" $2,500

Letter from Edward L. Morse, Po'keepsie, giving dimensions of "Dying Hercules" 6 ½ ft wide x 8 ft high – not framed in good condition. Price $2500. Wrote that the application would be laid before the Art Committee & that the picture must be framed.

Mr Corcoran & Dr J. C. Welling came in. The former requested me to write a letter for him to Mrs. Baylor stating that her old painting is so much injured that he does not think it advisable to incur the expense for repairing & framing it. Did so, & enclosed it to him. Gave Dr Welling a copy of the catalogue in envelope.

Dr Porter brought Mrs. Hellen's portrait of Chf. Justice Taney a poor affair, which Mr Corcoran does not like.

Miss Evans brought down finished for examination, ^her^ "Talking Well".

Mrs. Frederic de Trouville applied for permission to copy for a distant friend. Gave her copy of Rules.

Mr Flaherty has had a man at work mending the roof.

V. 65 $16.25 C. 6 $1.50 P. 8 $6.00

Borries "North German landscape was taken away by his wife.

Mch 4

Bright & pleasantly cool. Contact with the snow & cold wind of last 4th of March.

Shewed to Mr Corcoran at his house the draft of a letter to Mrs Baylor signifying that her picture was not accepted. He wished me to write the letter to him stating its condition &c. which I did. Mr C. complains much of the strain upon his body by his effort to save himself from falling a few days ago.

Mr Hyde does not think it necessary to amend the "keepers' rules" by any order about attending at 7 ½ p.m. on night-exhibitions. That is understood. Nor is it necessary to have the Rules signed by any one.

Letter in Boston Transcript by Mr Cobb praising this Gallery

Received a copy of the "Boston Transcript" containing a letter from Washington, signed C. C. and very complimentary notice of this Gallery, & particularly of the arrangement of the casts in the Sculpture, giving me name also. This is all very pleasant, and at my age, & ^with my^ experience of similar compliments from others travelled & untravelled, there is no fear of injury from flattery, or being unduly elated or puffed up. From several points in the letter I feel sure it was written by Mr Cobb who brought here his brother's picture of Washington on "Dorchester Heights".

Mr Rice sent up 22 Cordays (accepted 2 declined) & 31 Bust of Mr Corcoran.

V. 710 C 34 $8.50 P. 7 $6.00
Visited Mr Brooke's studio & saw his negro-picture, inferior to ours.

Mch 6.

Monday. Cloudy with some rain, but a prospect of clearing.

Saturday evening rec'd telegram from E.L. Morse Po'keepsie stating a frame would be provided for "Dying Hercules," & he would write.

Read the "Keeper's Rules" to them, & told them a printed copy would be given to them.

Mr Brooke's new negro-picture the "Dog-Swap," is an outdoor scene & has some fine color, but is not so good a work as the "Pastoral Visit".

Revd Dr Leonard came in by invitation. Had an interesting talk with him about the "figure of St John, Baptist."

Meeting of the Art Committee.

The Art Committee met at 1 p.m. Present, Messrs Kauffman, Clarke and McGuire. Mr Corcoran came in during the meeting. Several letters of unimportant nature rec'd by the Curator were read.

Mr D.D.T. Gordon's letter to know what the Art-Committee would offer ^for^ Jarvis' D.D. Tompkins Vice Prest. & Curator directed to state that it had no offer to make.

Letters from E. L. Morse, Poughkeepsie with telegram about a frame for "Dying Hercules", were read. Curator directed to reply that the chance of selling the "Dying Hercules" to this Gallery is so slight, that it was not worth while to get a frame. Wrote this.

Letters from W.L. Taylor, Norfolk, read, & filed for another letter.

Mr R.N. Brooke's letter to Mr Kauffman asking permission to have his "Pastoral Visit" engraved for "Harper" was read, & the leave was granted.

Mr Picket's letter to the Curator for sending to the Capitol the bust of Pulaski, approved by Mr Clarke was read & approved.

Also Mr Deschamps letter about sending the "Clausen" here.

The "Rules for the "Keepers of the Galleries" were submitted as appeared by the Building Committee, & the additional clause at the close read & heartily approved.

The copies of "Ziem's Constantinople", "Talking Well", "Cupid" were passed. Mrs. Colegrove's "Lost Dogs" did not pass – something more to be done to the eye.

Mrs. Fassett & Mr Andrews applied verbally for leave to exhibit it their portraits of Prest. Garfield. Granted.
The Committee then adjourned.

Mr McGuire gave an interesting sketch of what pictures he saw in New York. An important sale of the collection of Mr Wolfe. Will take place next month.

Mr Clark (Educational Bureau) His history of this Gallery will soon be ours.

V. 86 + 10 $21.50 C. 8 $2.00 P. 6 $4.25

Mch. 7.

Cloudy early, then bright with cold March wind.

Letter from E.L. Morse. Proposing to have the "Dying Hercules" framed here.

Note from M.W. Hamilton Culpepper Co. Va. enclosing 28cts in stamps for catalogue & postage. Sent it with postal.

Mr Kauffmann informs me that the Art Committee has allowed Mrs. Fassett & Mr Andrews to exhibit their portraits of Garfield in the gallery at once.

Rice's photos.

Rice sent up 17 12 x 16 Cordays – one rejected.
42 18 x 22 2 do

$4.82 to Tice & Lynch , N.Y.

Sent $4.82 in 2 twos. 80cts. in currency & 2cts. stamps to Tice & Lynch 34 ½ Pine St. N.Y. in a letter.

Mrs Fassett sent up her Garfield at 3 p. m. Placed it S.E. Gallery.

Mr Barlow sent up for 18 copies of Large Corday at $1.75. Sent him 14 - $24.55.

Sent to Rice for 25 18 x 22 Cordays & more 12 x 16 Vestal figure.

V. 453 C. 35 $8.75 P. 9 $9.00

March 8

Wednesday. Cloudy & cold. Snow or rain to-day predicted.

Letter from E. L. Morse, expressing his mother's disappointment over the "slight chance of selling to this Gallery the "Dying Hercules asking me to indicate some one – a member of the Committee – to be written about it.

Wrote to D.D.T. Gordon, Stapleton, N.Y. that the Art Committee had no offer to make for Jarvis' portrait of Vice Prest. D.D. Tompkins.

Mr Corcoran called for a few minutes, in good spirits.

Dr Tyler called. Wishes to know by request of Mr Titian Peale whether Mr Corcoran would be willing to buy the portrait of Lord Baltimore. Told him that so far as I knew Mr C. did not favor such a proposition.

Call at Mr Andrews' studio about his portrait of Prest. Garfield. He says it would be inconvenient to sent it here before Monday.

Visitors 103 + 5 $25.75 C. 7 $1.75

Mch. 9.

Thursday. Heavy rain this morning. Mild.

Postal acknowledgement from Tice & Lynch N.Y. of receipt of my remittance, but not stating amount. Sent a postal to them, asking for a statement of the sum received.

Mr F.B. McGuire called. Looked over the illustrations in the "Art Treasures of America", of Mr Wolf's collection to be sold in April, & requested me to show them to Mr Corcoran.
Mr McGuire states that Quincy Ward, Sculptor, will be here soon to take bust of Mr Corcoran & of Dr Hall for the Orphan Asylum.

Letter from J. J. Gillespie & Co. Pittsburgh, enclosing order (with money order for $10.00 & 50cts in stamps for 6 "Lost Dogs" $4.50 & 3 Large Cordays $6.00 - $10.50. also hinting for a discount, as he is a dealer.

Sent card to Rice for "more 18 x 22 "Cordays".

V. (Day)	335		C	41	$10.25	P. 11 $7.00
V. (Night)	97	$8.50	C.	13	3.25	
	432	$8.50		54	$13.50	P. 11 $7.00

Mch 10

Friday. Bright with a pleasantly cool wind.

Letter from Thos. Le Clear, artist, N.Y. asking if the gallery is willing to exhibit a head of Prest. Garfield. Answered would consult Art Committee. It is the head only 20 x 24 in.

Letter from W.S. Taylor Norfolk Va. enclosing letter from a relative in reference ^to^ the portrait of Warner Lewis by Sir Joshua Reynolds and also a photo of Speaker Augustine Warner of the House of Burgesses in 1677, from a portrait the artist of which is not known. Will send them both here if the Art Committee wishes it. He does name any price. Acknowledged by postal card.

Postal acknowledging photos. from A. T. Hermann San Joss, Mch 2.

33 Vestals (figure) 12 x 16 rec'd from Rice. He will send up some 18 x 22 "Cordays" tomorrow. Dr B. has notified Gillespie Pittsburgh of the delay.

Gibson sent proof of "Keepers Rules", which were returned corrected.

Mr F.B. McGuire called, & brought several Hawk-Books- 1 to 9 of the Museum of Art N.Y. except no 4, which I wrote for to Genl. di Cesnola.

Mr Corcoran called – in fine spirits. Delighted with Col. Clarke's History of the Corcoran Gallery of Art, prepared for the "Educational Bureau". Mr C. will order 500 copies of it.

V. 116 + 7 $29.00 C. 9 $2.25 P. 12 $12.75

Mch. 11

Saturday. Cold and cloudy.

Letter from Tice & Lynch with receipt for $2.82cts. I find that though I sent him four dollars 82/100, & wrote that amt in my letter of remittance, I inadvertently in my postal of the 9th. calling for a receipt naming that amt, I wrote $2.82cts which led I supposed to his receipt got to-day, for that amt only. Wrote for a receipt of the exact sum $4.82.

The Revd. T.B. McLeod of Brooklyn introduced himself by virtue of his name. He was well acquainted with Gifford and knows Mr F.E. Church intimately. He says the latter is in very wretched health.

A lady inquired if the Gallery would buy a statue of by McDonald, & a copy of his Garfield bust in bronze. Told her to apply to the Art Committee by letter.

Wrote to Mr Church, artist, Hudson, N.Y. requesting a photo of himself for our album.

Mr Lowe, engineer in the navy, called by request of Mrs. Lackey, & explained the localities of her painting & photographic views of Constantinople. He gave also interesting details of the character of the Turks, their liberality &c.

V. 800 C. 54 $13.50 P. 14 $9.50

Mch. 13

Monday. Cold and windy.

The Horses of Achilles offered for sale to this Gallery.

Letter from S. A. Coale, St Louis to the Trustees offering the painting of the "Horses of Achilles" by Regnault, lately sold at Morton's sale in N.Y. to this Gallery, & asking what will be given for it! He says he would have bidden $10,000. He got for $5,900. This Gallery through two it its trustees then in New York, did not regard the picture a desirable one.

Printed "Rules for Keepers of the galleries" (100 copies) received.

Mr Barlow sent up a painting on panel by J.J. Audubon the eminent naturalist, of Dead Birds. It is beautifully drawn but the coloring while delicate lacks force.

Sent to Rice for photographs. Sent up seven.

The Art Committee met 1.p.m.
Present Messrs. Clark, & F.B. McGuire.
Mr Corcoran came in during the meeting.
Reading of the Journal was dispensed with.
Mr. S. A. Coale's letter to the Trustees, was read & Curator directed to inform that the picture was not wanted.
Also Mr. E.L. Morse's letter, which the Curator was directed to reply to, stating the final action of the Committee on the "Dying Hercules" was embraced in his last letter. Wrote to him.

Mr Le Clear's letter was read. Curator instructed to say that he could send it on at his own expense, & also Mr Taylor of Norfolk was to be told he could send his pictures his pictures for exhibition, but there was no proof of the work being by Sir Joshua Reynolds.

Mr S.H. Pearce's letter was read, & he will be notified if there be any purchase of his son's picture.

Mrs Colegrove's copy of "Lost Dogs" & Miss Snyder's do of "Fun & Fright" were passed. Mr Crawford's study from Detaille's "Passing Regiment" was not passed, nor was Miss Park's picture of a Dog accepted as a specimen entitling her to copy.

The picture of "Game" by ^J.J.^ Audubon was recommended for purchase to the Board of Trustees. Price $300.

Curator asked for a pedestal to hold bronze bust of Dr J.C. Hall, and was authorized to get one of walnut.

Mr McGuire left a copy of catalogue of Vanderbilt's gallery.

Wrote to Fred. E. Church, artist, for a photo of himself, for our Album, & expressing a wish to see him here.

V. 110 $27.50 C. 18 $4.50 P. 4 $3.00

Mch 14

Tuesday. Cold, bright & windy.

Receipt from Tice & Lynch for $4.82ct.

Wrote to J. C. Nicoll, 51.W.10th. St. for receipt for cost ↑$1,000↓ of "Etching Club".

Got Mr Taylor to give estimate for cost of pedestal for Dr Hall's bust.

The pedestal of Iris in Main S. Gallery, is badly opened by heat.

Mr Barlow called to learn the action on the Audubon. Told him but as the Committee said nothing to me of the cost of frame not being included in the price ($300) which it recommended the Trustees to pay for it, I declined giving him an official notice of its action.

Letter from S. H. Pearce, Boston Mass. proposing to exhibit here two other pictures by his son, "Sacrifice of Abraham," and "Lamentation over the First-born of Egypt", & asking if any disposition to buy the "John Baptist" – Answered.

Mrs. Randolph called about the "John Marshall" picture. I found the papers she left. She will again propose ^its purchase^ in writing to the Art Committee for $500.
Mrs. M. S. Smith called about her picture of Arabian Horses.

Mr Gray (son of H.P. Gray, artist) called & wished to remove the "Freedom" to the Capitol for a short time, to show it to the Library Committee for purchase. Leave granted.

Wrote to T. LeClear, N.Y. that he could exhibit his Head of Prest Garfield in this Gallery, at his expense.

Wrote to W. S. Taylor Va. stating that the Art Committee does not recognize sufficient authenticity of the Warner Lewis portrait being by Sir Joshua Reynolds, & of course can hold out no hope of its being bought as such by the Trustees; yet if he wishes to take the chance of a customer, he can send both pictures for exhibition here.

Wrote to S.A. Coale St Louis, Mo. stating that two of the Trustees of this Gallery had attended the sale of the Morton Collection of Pictures, N.Y. had examined Regnault's "Horses of Achilles," & that the Art Committee declined making an offer for it.

Mr Gray called at my home to see if it was necessary for him to remain here until the Library Committee of Congress, allowed him to remove "Freedom" from the Gallery to the Capitol. Told him his presence was not necessary; that all he had to do mention when the picture was to be removed, & pay the expense of removal to & fro.

V. 450 C. 34 $8.50 P. 4 $3.00

Mch. 15

Cloudy & very cold, with sprinkling of snow- signs of rain.

Mr Taylor has removed pedestal of Iris for repair.

Mr F.B. McGuire called & left a slip from the "New York Times" criticising the Wolff collection.

Dr. Barbarin repaired broken finger of Saurocktonos-.

V. 145 + 3 $36.25 C. 20 $5.00 P. 1 75cts

Mch. 16

Thursday. Two inches of snow. Temperature mild.

Engaged Cassidy to clean the snow from pavement.

Receipt for $1.00 from J.C. Nicoll, New York.

Wrote to Earle & Sons Phila. to know of some manufacturer or dealer in pedestals, composition, papier mache, or other.

Sent notice to A.H. Clements State Dept. that the Art-Committee wish ^him to have^ the painting of "Columbus & his Family" deposited by him removed.
Rec'd Catalogue of Mr Wolfe's Collection of Pictures, to be sold Apl. 5-6th.

Mr Corcoran is reported as not being very well.
Mr F.B. McGuire attended the night exhibition.

V. (Day)	412		C. 35 $8.75	P 7 $4.80
V. (Night	196	$18.80	C. 17 4.25	P 2 1.50
Total	608	$18.80	$52 $13.00	P. 9 $6 30

Mch 17.

St. Patrick's Day, and fortunately a bright day.

Mr Taylor brought in the repaired pedestal of "Iris".

Rec'd 6th. Annual Report of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. It shows that the number of ^its^ visitors for /81. are not quite double that of this Gallery, though it is in a much larger city than Washington, & is surrounded by many tributary communities.

Mr F.B. McGuire last night stated that the price of "Game" by Audubon, is $312, including frame.

From Dr Jouy 11 "Mount Corcorans" & 11 "Drove at the Ford" 1 "Drove" & 3 Mount Corcorans declined.

Mr Moses sent up men who removed the brass fixtures from the gas-rod.

Mr Newton's man replaced glass in the Main Gallery sky-light & is to replace any he may find elsewhere.

Mr Corcoran came in for a while; in better health.

V. 96 x 9 $24.00 C. 12 $3.00 P. $4.25

Mch. 18

Saturday. Cloudy: signs of rain.

Photo likeness of F. E. Church artist

Rec'd from Mr F.E. Church, artist, Hudson N.Y. an excellent carte de visite photo of himself, in a brief friendly note, in which he expresses the hope of visiting this city ~~in~~ this Spring. The photo represents a refined intellectual face & head. The eyes are beautiful & gentle, and over the whole countenance there is a trace of languid health, which I am told is much impaired. It is now over 30 years since I saw him, but I recognize the features easily, Born in 1826 - & he will be 56 this coming May. Acknowledged it & sent Catalogue.

Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne letter & bill for statuary.

Letter from Knauth, Nach~~o~~ad & Kuhne, notifying me of the clearing of the 2 cases of (Ezekiel's) statuary, & enclosing bill of all charges, $302.75-Sent them to Mr Hyde, and wrote that the statuary be sent by rail, as fast freight.
Postal Card from W. S. Taylor Norfolk Va. stating he had sent my letter to the owner of the "Sir Joshua", & will send his reply.

Miss Tunstall of Lynchburg, unexpectedly dropped in for an hour on her way to Baltimore, but will return. Had a pleasant table over the Fine Art, Literature generally.
Mr Corcoran called for her. He is not well, & ought not to have come out this wet day, as his feet are wetted.
Mr F.B. McGuire sent for & got section 11 of "Art Treasures" containing the prints of Bourgereau's "Nymphs & Satyrs".
The delegation of the Zuni tribe of New Mexican Indians, visited the Gallery.
Letter from Col. Pickett, telling me that the Library Comttee. has bought "Pulaski"-$1500.

V. 325 C. 36 $9.00 P. 10 $7.50

Mch. 20

Monday. Cloudy, mild & signs of rain.

Yesterday saw Commander Crowninshield about removing his pictures. He will call to-day.

Letter from Earle & Sons referring me to Thos. Heath, 42 n. 11th. stt. Phila. about the pedestal we need.

Letter from Jas. Fitzgerald Balt. asking if we can send ½ dozen large size & ½ dozen Cabinet or other size of C. Corday, to be sent by Adams Express C.O.D. Replied by asking which of the large sizes he wishes.

Mrs. Randolph (who first deposited the portrait of John Marshall here) called & left a letter to the Art-Committee about the picture & wished to have the original letters about it, ^once mislaid^ laid before it, to show its history & genuineness.

Mr Guillaume called. Praised the character of the work of "John the Baptist", but condemned its drawing as horrible!

Mrs. F.B. McGuire returned 2d. section of "Art Treasures in America".

Dr Welling & ladies called. Thinks the "Faun & Nymphs" too broad.

Dr Barbarin telephones he is too sick in bed to be here to-day.

The Art Committee met 1 p.m. Present, Messrs. Kauffmann Clark & McGuire. Mr Corcoran came in for awhile.

The proceedings of the last two meetings were read & approved.

Mr. Mayo's (Richmond) letter & the old papers formerly left here and mislaid, about the John Marshall portrait were laid before the Committee, and the Curator was directed to reply that the previous decision declining its purchase was re-affirmed, and that the Library Committee of Congress might buy it for the Supreme Court.

Mr S.H. Pearce's offer to exhibit other pictures by his son here, was declined owing to the demand for wall of space for other pictures to come soon - & that hereafter, there might be room for them.

Mr Pickett's letter offering to sell a portrait of Stonewall Jackson was read, but no particular reply needed.

Mr Church's letter & Photo. & Mr Clements' about "Columbus" were read.
Dr Porter called & took away the "Taney" portrait, without frame.
Miss Hodges copy of "Mt. Corcoran" was passed.

Mr Gray's picture of "Freedom" ~~was~~ in case it was removed temporarily to the Capitol, was thought to be here so long, as to justify its not being admitted again.

Mr McGuire asked permission to have the crayon portrait of Dr Hall boxed & sent to New York to Mr Calverley sculptor for a marble bust to be placed in.

Mr Corcoran sent for me to call at his house after 4 p.m. He wished to know my opinion of the Judge Taney portrait.

V. 72 $18.00 C. 13 $3.25 P. 4 $3.00

Mch. 20

Rainy and raw.
Dr Barbarin on duty until 12 m. when he went home ill.
Card from Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne. Have rec'd draft for charges for statuary, & advised Mr Hyde of its shipment.

Registered letter in German from Dielitz, Berlin, enclosing duplicate ^draft.^

Letter from Daniel Wagner offering for $250 a portrait of Genl Garfield, by his sister Louise from photograph.

Wrote to G.W. Mayo Richmond, Va. declining again Portrait of John Marshall.

Wrote to S.H. Pearce Boston, Art Committee says there is no room for other pictures by his son. Some future day there may be.

Wrote to John T. Pickett acknowledging his note of 18th.

Wrote to Mrs. Baylor New Bedford, Mass. stating I have sent by express to-day her old painting. Sent receipt for freight.

Mr Taylor brought the Hall portrait boxed. Mr McGuire called and said he would have the small bronze bust of Dr Hall sent up. Both boxes went by Express. I paid the freight of all.
Sent sizes of Corday photos to Jas. Fitzgerald, Baltimore.
Revd. Mr Wilson called about the Book on Indians.
Wrote to Mr Clements State Dept. about removing "Columbus."
Mr Corcoran came & spoke the Taney picture, which a lady wishes him to buy.
Mrs. F.B. McGuire called.

A large respectable excursion from Masss. today.

V. 530 C. 58 $14.50 P. 12 $8.00

Mch. 22

Wednesday. Bright, cool & bracing, afterwards rough, & a little warm.
Dr Barbarin on duty.

Wrote to Thos. Heath, 42.N.11th. St. Phila. about a pedestal for the Hall bust.

Learn from Mr. Fischer (successor to Boardman) that Appleton's Journal stopped publication at the end of 1881 – no notice was given to us.

Mr Brooke artist called to learn if any periodical had the privilege of engraving the "Pastoral Visit." He has arranged to have it appear in "Harper's Weekly". Told him we knew of no one else doing it.

Dr Porter sent for & got the frame of the Judge Taney portrait.

Mr Andrews called. His "Garfield" portrait is still before the Library Committee.

A number of the Boston excursionists called.

Mr. J. E. Mitchell, a Trustee of the School of Industrial Art Phila. called, & examined the contents of the Gallery.

V. 148 + 110 – 258 $37.00 C. 23 $5.75 P. 12 $3.00

Mch. 23

Thursday. Bright, cool & pleasant.

Card from Jas. Fitzgerald Balt. Wants 4. 12 x 16 "Cordays" & 6 Cabinet do. Asks if there is no discount, as he sells them? Answered that we do not supply the trade at reduced prices, but if a large number, ^is bought^ a discount is allowed to any buyer.

Letter from Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne N.Y. enclosing bill of lading of statuary shipped 22d. per "John Gibson" to Georgetown.

Note from Mr Clements, in reference to "Columbus & Family".

Mr Collins agent for Goupil & Co's work of "Photogravures of the paintings by Gerome", called & exhibited a portion of that work which is truly beautiful. The photogravures are of a kind superior to any I ever saw. The work is to be issued to 1000

subscribers only, and when the ~~list~~ edition is finished, the plates will be destroyed. I gave him a letter to Mr Corcoran. He says Mr C. is pleased with the work but must leave its purchase to the Trustees I April, which is rather far off for him. He offered the work to Mr C. for $150. He is to see Mr Kauffman.

Mr Lownder, Bladensburg called, & told me the portrait of Mr Lloyd of Wye, was his grandfather.
Too unwell to be at the Gallery in the evening.
Messrs. F.B. McGuire & Kauffmann attended at night.

V. 740 (Day)		C. 45	$11.25	P. 6 $7.00
V. 179 (Night)	$16.40	C. 5	1.25	
Total 919	$16.40	50	$1250	P. 6 $7.00

Mch. 24

Cloudy with signs of rain-rough wind.

Found that the pedestal of "Flying Mercury" erroneously states the original was marble & not bronze as the Catalogue gives it.

Invitation to the Academy's Exhibition N.Y. & card of H.W. Robbins.

Letter from Mr Mayo Richmond. Wants to know through whom he could address Library Committee or Supreme Court about the portrait of John Marshall.

Mr Corcoran called & paid back to the Contingent Fund $5.65 amt of freight on Mrs. Baylor's picture to & fro. At his request went to McDonald's (Sculptor's) room to get Dr Porter's address, & left a note requesting him to send it to me & tell Porter to call & see Mr Corcoran about the Taney picture.

Letter from Mrs. H.H. Hellen 219 Del Ave. N.E. requesting me to tell Mr Corcoran that the Taney portrait was in her possession, that she had sent it here, as she was to leave the city for the summer, & that it was not acceptable – that her friend had brought back the picture but not the frame, & she requested me to send it to her by her son. I told her it was sent for & taken away by Dr Porter's order in writing & sent her address to Mr Corcoran.
Miss Wagner's "Garfield" arrived – very ordinary.
Mrs Heller sent a note for Mr Corcoran by her daughter.

V. 109 + 11 $27.25 C. 13 $3.25

Mch. 25

Saturday. Bright, & cold. Ice formed last night.

Recd. J.P. Wilson Bridgeport Conn. called for a testimonial in writing which I promised to him, in commendation of the volume of ↑"The↓ Wild Indians" by Col. R.J. Dodge U.S.A. descriptive of the habits, customs, rites &c of those tribes. He is to bring a copy here to lay before the Board on Monday next.

Dr Porter called about the Taney portrait.

Mr Corcoran came in & intimated that there was a doubt of the "Taney" portrait belonging to Mr Heller; that another lady claimed it.

Went home at noon from suffering one of my spring bilious attacks attended with violent pain in the stomach & bowels, vertigo & nausea. We need a sofa very much in this office when one is too ill to sit up at work.

Sent to Rice for more large Cordays 18 x 22.
V. 800 C. 32 $7.95 P. 11 $9.75

Mch. 27

Heavy rains though mild.

Letter from Thos. Heath Phila. enclosing sketch for a scagiola pedestal with size & colors noted. He will send this to the cars, boxed, for $30 dollars. Higher than I expected but still better & cheaper than a walnut one which will cost the same.

M. de Willamov wants to sell a picture by P. Wooverman

Mr de Willamov, Russian Charge's d'Affaires called and left a note to the Art-Committee, offering to sell for $2500. a picture by Philip Wouverman – representing a stable with horses. He brought it to this country. Dimension in frame about 30 x 35 inches. Inscribed by J. Willamov from the Countess Rasoumousky's gallery in 1866, & could be traced back to its origin. He will send it for examination. 1015. Conn. Ave.

Meeting of the Art. Committee

The Art Committee met at 1 p.m. Present all the members save Mr Walters, Mr Corcoran was present.

The application of Mr Wagner to exhibit here for a short time, his sister's portrait of Prest. Garfield, was granted; but the Committee declined giving an order for a full length. Wrote to him.

Thos. Heath's offer a scagliola pedestal for $30. was unsatisfactory in respect to its dimensions, but it would be under advisement. Wrote to him.

Mr de Willamov's offer of the Wouverman declined; not buying old ^pictures^. Also declined buying Col Dodge's "Wild Indians of America." Wrote to him.
Miss Passmore's "Trout Brook". Mrs. Stillson's "Golden Gate".

March 27

Mr Mooney's "Long Story", & Mrs Pattison's "Catskill Creek" passed.

It was agreed that Mr Corcoran (or the Trustees) would take a copy of the "Photogravures of Gerome's Works" at $150.

The Curator is to draft a summary of the proceedings of the Committee for the Quarterly Meeting of the Trustees to be submitted on Monday next.

Mr McGuire requested me to varnish Mr Riggs' portrait by Elliott to enable its being taken well by Rice in photo. for Miss Riggs. It will be sent up to-day. Received from Mr McG. $1.75 for freight on boxes to Calverly N.Y.

Mrs. Randolph called & got the old papers about the Judge Marshall portrait, which she is trying to dispose of to the Supreme Court.

Mr Riggs' portrait was brought up. It is a strong well painted picture, but lacks a certain sentiment the absence of which, makes a portrait look hard to my eye, even if it is a likeness.

V. 72 $16.50 C. 9 $2.25

Mch. 28.

Heavy rain last night & this morning: afterwards clear and pleasant.

Varnished Mr Riggs' portrait: looks much better.

Knox tells us the two statues have arrived at Geotwn. Told him not to haul them here, unless before 4.p.m.

Mr Howard (British Legation) son-in-law to Mr Riggs, came in & saw the latter's portrait.

Mr Corcoran called. Called my attention to a notice of the Gallery in Saturday's "Republican". Sent & got it. It is nothing extraordinary, save in a few paragraphs.

Wrote to E.H. Greenleaf, Boston Museum for address of a dealer in plaster-casts.

Mr Wiley, was engaged to clean the skylights of all the galleries on Thursday next, for $15.00.

V. 400 C. 42 $10.49 P. 8 $6.00

Mch 29

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Complimentary card for Exhibition of Penn. Academy Apl 3.

Complimentary card to Private Exhibition of Miss Bertha Von Hillern & Mr F.C. Becket: pictures ~~at~~ Williams & Everett's Boston.

Mr F.B. McGuire called to learn where modelling clay could be got for Mr Ward sculptor who is coming here soon. Went with him to McDonald's studio where I found that it could be had at a German's betw 6th & 7th. & S. & T. sts. n.w. McDonald was out, but I saw in his room half-dressed full-length of Garfield & Guiteau!

Genl. Norton (of Tecumseh-statue connection) called, & also Mr Fleischmann. He ^the former^ is acquainted with Vela, the sculptor.

Mrs Borries called & will send another of her husband's landscapes to be shewn in this room, not in the gallery.

Mr Clark called. Wants stonework painted again.

Mr McGuire called.
Hung Miss Wagner's portrait of Garfield in S.W. Gallery.

Mr Andrews called.

Arrival of statues by E.

Cases of statuary arrived at 1 p.m. Placed in rear lot.

Mch 30

Bright, mild, & windy.

Mr Rice sent up 2. 18 x 22 "Cordays" – accepted. Sent word to him to send up for the Riggs portrait.

Mr Bradley came took measurements of the bases of the statues (which are far too wide in the rear for the niches) and went to see Mr Hyde. The bases were opened enough to show the heads of both statues & they appear to be of great merit.

Mr Clark thinks the whole outside of building should be oiled & the plaster between bricks blackened.

Mr. Flaherty called & stated that he had talked with Mr Corcoran & learned that he (F.) is only on with repairing the present roof, as there is some prospect of buying Admiral Lee's lot, and if so, a new fire-proof roof would be put over the present building, & the new one to be erected in its rear. I fear this last piece of news is too good to be true!

Dr Vaughn of Culpepper, Miss Parker, with many pupils from his school came in. I escorted them round the galleries.

Mr. Corcoran buys the Hayes & Johnson portraits by Andrews.

Mr Corcoran called & wishes me to arrange the Presidential portraits around the East Gallery like a cornice. He has brought from Mr Andrews his bust-portraits of Hayes & Johnson, & speaks of getting the 3 others. Mr C. told me Genl Grant had called upon him! Glad to hear it!

Mr. Brady & Genl. Norton called. Mr Corcoran permits Gen. N. to have the photos of Titian & Leonardo eng'd in Harper's Weekly.

Day	530		C. 30	7.50	P. 5.25
Night	161	$15.10	C. 6	1.50	2.25
	691	$15.10		$9.00	$7.50

Mch. 31.

March goes out like a lamb! Bright, calm, & pleasant.

Dr Barbarin's money-drawer robbed last night of $160.

Last night the Assistant Curator's money drawer was fored by some burglar who carried off about $160. The drawer was forced open with a screw-driver left on the floor. The front door was found unlocked this morning by the Janitor, who is not sure that he locked the door of this office, though he had the key in his possession. The Bronze Hall door was known to be locked. The Janitor is not sure that he locked the door leading to the cellar.
Mr McElresh (detective) was sent here by Mr Hyde, I believe the thief was hidden in the cellar during the night exhibition. We suspect one man, & he will be watched closely. It is evident the robber knew the premises, and the suspected man has been in here, & his antecedents we learn, are not creditable.

Messrs. Hyde, Matthews & McGuire called.

Called at Rice's to hurry up largest "Cordays".
While absent Mr Corcoran came in. He knew of the robbery.

Paid Mrs. Colegrove price of mat $3.25.

Mr Rice sent for & got the Riggs portrait.

Mr Wiley cleaned the skylights to-day.
V. 98 + 4 $24.50 C. 17 $4.25 P. 4 $3.00

April 1.

Until noon, weather Marchlike – cold & windy. Afterwards milder.

Rec'd illustrated catalogue of the Wolfe collection of pictures N.Y.

Rec'd copy of Clarence Cook's "Transportation" & Migrations of Statues.

Postal from Mr Greenleaf Boston, with address of P.A. Garey, dealer in casts, to whom I wrote about the bust of one of M. Angelo's "Slaves".

Mr Leutze son of the artist of "Cromwell & Milton".

Mr Andrews artist called with a son of E. Leutze artist. He stated that he stood for the little boy leaning against the lap of the lady in the right corner of the "Cromwell & Milton", & his brother (now in the navy) stood for the boy on the left of Mrs Cromwell. Mr L. is an engineer (civil) and amused us by stating that when 14 years old he painted a dog, which was exhibited in the N.Y. Academy & sold for $250, but his father discouraged ^him^ from an artist's pursuit, saying he "wanted no one ^else^ to be bumming round as Leutze the artist!"

A Mr Milligan wrote to know about an easel &c left here by Mr Cudlip. Told him to call & examine those we have.

Mr Wiley finished cleaning the sky-lights this morning.

Mr Corcoran called & took home the Illustrated Catalogue of Wolfe's pictures.

V. 530 C. 29 $7.20 P. 3 $2.25

April 3

Mild & clear & warm.

Dr Barbarin's finds the amount of money stolen is over $200.

Mr. J.F. Wylie called with his bill $1500, which I certified.

Received a note H. Ulke artist, stating Mr Corcoran had engaged him to paint a portrait of Gen. Grant, & he wishes to see the one in Phila. Mr U. goes there to-day & will send the portrait here for Mr Corcoran to see.

Note from H.W. Robbins New York with a catalogue or rather "Illustrated Art-Notes of the Academy's Exhibition".

Meeting of the Art Committee

The Art Committee met at 1.p.m. Present Messrs Kauffmann, Clark, & McGuire. Mr Corcoran was present. The proceedings of last meeting were read & approved.

Mr Kauffman read a letter from S. A. Hall N.Y. stating he would fill the order from Mr Corcoran for one copy of "Gerome" for $150. 6 sections to be sent next week. This copy will be no. 232 with Corcoran Gallery of Art on title-page.

Mr Corcoran handed to the Chairman to have read, a letter to him from Minister Morton, Paris, enclosing the translation of a letter to Mr M. from M. Bartholdi formerly minister from France in Washington, in which the latter strongly recommends a Mr Chas Haas as a reliable agent for buying works of art for this gallery.
No pictures offered for sale, nor copies submitted for approval.

Curator announced the arrival of Ezekiels' statues at the Gallery, also the Illustrated Catalogue of Wolfe's Collection of pictures.

The Curator submitted & read a draft of substance of the Committee's proceedings from Jany. 16. for the quarterly meetings of the Board on Apl. 10.

The Committee on motion authorized Mr Clark to purchase ↑contract↓ a scagliola pedestal for Dr Hall's bust, got $20. from Mr Beckert.

The Chairman read a paper he had prepared to be presented to the Board on Monday next, a plan for securing for the Gallery a more direct, prompt, & economical method of procuring works of art, chiefly through the visit of two or more trustees to European galleries & artists.

Mr Bradley called & took other measurements for pedestals of Ezekiel's statues. He has the material for them, and is to prepare those for all the niches.

V. 57 + 7 $14.25 C. 6 $1.50 P. 3 $2.25

April 4.

Raw & cloudy in the morning: afternoon sunny & pleasant.

Order from Earle & Son's Phila for 3 vestals large (single figure) & 2 "Cordays" large. Sent by B & O. Express, & wrote postal card.

Letter from P.A. Garey Boston Mass. with catalogue of casts. Has a masque of the "Slave", but can make a bust of it. Wrote to know more about it.

Several Sac & Fox Indians, Iowas, & Nebraskas, visited the Gallery.

Mr Forsberg left a small picture for Mr Corcoran to look at.

Mr Corcoran called & thought above picture showed need of more improvement.

Messrs McGuire & Kauffman came in. They leave tonight for New York to attend Mr Wolfe's picture sale.

Ordered from Rice more Full Subject "Vestal" & "Cordays" 12 x 16. Received from Rice eight large "Cordays".

Note from Col Pickett to call & see his "Stonewall Jackson".

A piece of the moulding of the cornice of Main Vestibule fell & broke.
V. 500 C. 41 $10.25 P. 18 $14.00

Apl. 5.

Mild, cloudy & signs of rain.

Postal from E.G. Quincy 51. E. 60. st. N.Y. wishes prices of sizes of "Corday". Sent them on postal.

Spent two hours in the Congressional Library.

Mr Corcoran called.

Mrs. Lackey called, wishes to know who teaches watercolor painting in landscape & flowers – also wants to know if the Gallery would like to buy the view of Constantinople.

Mr Clark (Ed. Bureau) called. He wishes me to go with him to see the water-color collection 15th & H. Sts. Dr Barbarin went with him.

Mrs Davidge & Miss Reading called.

Letter from Mr Deschamps to the Art-Committee, handed to me by the janitor as "for me", while I was talking with a visitor, & not until I opened it did I find that it was to the Committee. It states that Tademas has projected 2 pictures. One is a meeting of "Anthony & Cleopatra" 15 ft x 7 ft. $50.00! The other is "The "Feast of Roses before Heliogabalus" 8 x 4 ½ $25,000.

V. 121 $30.25 C. 15 $3.74 P. 4 $3.00

Apl. 6

Rain, and raw temperature.

Letter from Mr Stiepevich N.Y. asking if there was any discussion about further decoration of this gallery, & what prospect there is of beginning the work. Answered that the work about which last year he proposed to do, was expected at that time by another.

Letter from Mrs. Shedd in reference to my call for information about Renaissance busts.

Mr Hyde sent up a letter to the "Secretary of the gallery" (which I gave him yesterday) from a Mrs. A. Tilden Park Av. Hotel N.Y. who wishes to dispose of an old painting 14 x 4 ½ ft. (upright subject not named, but from the photograph sent, appears to be "The Day of Judgment." She states that a "Dr Adams N.Y. had a conversation about it with Mr Corcoran or yourself", but Mr Hyde states that "neither Mr Corcoran nor himself know anything about it." Most likely Dr A. spoke to me about such a work but I have forgotten it.

Mr Hyde also sent up a letter to the late George W. Riggs trustee from H.G. Heartt New. Orleans, March 30th. /82 calling his attention to the pictures, in an accompanying catalogue of a collection belonging to his sister Mrs Rosetta H. Prescott, New Haven.

At noon a box containing Le Clear's portrait (head) of Garfield arrived. I paid $1.25 for freight, though I had told the artist that he must pay the freight himself.

Shortly after, Mr Le Clear came in. He wishes ~~a~~ General a friend of Gen Grant, to see his Garfield. His price for it is $750. He stated that Mr Bierstadt wished one of our men to hang ^it^ properly in the President's House, 2d story three pictures will be sent here. He ~~left~~ shewed a diagram of the place in the corridor where they are to be hung.
Mr Le Clear says that Cot's "Springtime" in the Wolfe collection is not the original picture, & that the manager of the sale expects to get ^for^ the Bougoureau $18,000 & the Cot $16,000.

Mr McDonald, sculptor, called with Dr (Mrs.) Jennings head of the "25ct Dispensary for working-women &c", also Mrs Davidson & her niece. The former is a fine looking

woman, full of intelligence. She gave me an interesting account of her "Dispensary." She will send me a photo of the "Somnambulist" by McDonald.

Mr McDonald told us of his ^life size^ figures of Garfield and Guiteau – showing a photo of the last – which are to be exhibited through the country ^in a show.^ Heavy sums were paid for the two suits worn by Guiteau.
Wrote to Mrs Shedd, & sent Large copy of Hermes.

V. (Day) 475 C. 22 $5.50 P. 4 $4.00

V. (Night)	86	$8.20	C. 4 $1.00	P. 6 4.50
Total.	561	$8.20	C. 26 $6.50	10 $8.50

April 7

Milder, cloudy & threatening rain.
Good Friday.
Only 82 visitors last night.

Wrote to Mrs. Shedd, & sent large copy of "Hermes" by Express.

Mr Clark came in with his plan for a pedestal which suits. I shewed him the letter from Deschamps & explained how it was opened. He was amused at the prices asked.

Ulke's portrait of Gen Grant rec'd

Mr Ulke's portrait of Gen Grant arrived at 10.45 a.m. It is a heavy likeness, and opaquely brown in the shadows.
Mr Forsberg took away his picture.
Went to church between 11 & 1 o'clock.

Mr Corcoran came in, & was arrived with Tadema's prices. At first glance he did not like Ulke's Grant, but through the large lens, he thought better of it. It is a copy of it that he has ordered. Mr C. seemed difficult to understand at times what is told him, and while I read a letter to him, dropped into a doze. He told me McGuire & Kauffmann had telegraphed to him that the Bouguereau though beautiful was not fit for the gallery. They bought nothing. He had authorized them to bid $3,000 for Charles V & the Banker Fugger", but it brought $3900.
Dr. Barbarin left at 2.p.m. not well.
Mrs. F.B. McGuire called with Mr Harwich, sculptor, who executed the exquisite "Four-leaved clover", belonging to Dr Gallaudet.
Mr. Brady called & left catalogue of his negatives.
Mr Ulke called and paid 94 cts freight on his picture.
V. 125 $31.25 C. 12 $3.00 P. 2 $1.00

Apl. 8

Mild & somewhat hazy.

Letter from V.G. Stiepevich N.Y. expressing surprise to hear that the decoration of the galleries of last summer had been done by an artist here. He thinks he has not been honorably treated by the Committee in not returning his designs & stating the fact. Asks me to send them to him.

Rec'd from S. A. Hall bill of $90. for six sections of "Gerome" ordered by Mr Corcoran (10 ordered). Gave it to Mr Hyde, & shortly the work having arrived by express, notified him of the fact.

Mt Hyde advises me merely to acknowledge Mrs. Tilden's & Mr Heartt's letters, & say they will be advised of any action taken on them by the Trustees next week.

Saw Mr Harnisch. He will be pleased to do for us any commissions for us about casts (medieval) when he returns to Rome very soon.

Senator Sherman called on the part of the Library Committee to examine the portrait of Judge Marshall, & the full-length Washington by C.W. Peale Esq. He intimated that the latter will be bought, not the former.

Hon. Proctor Knott & Mr Brenner, Louisville artist, called. The latter is an intelligent gentleman. He thinks "Niagara" the finest landscape of American scenery ever painted. Mr Le Clear called & paid freight on his "Garfield" & left a like sum for ~~l~~ its return freight to New York. He is to paint a full length of Gen Grant for the White House.

Rice sent up a lot of photographs.

Miss Eustis came in – just from Aiken S.C. – looking very fat, tanned, gray, but very well. She tells me Lulu (Mr Corcoran's granddaughter) is grown tall & is quite an artist. I went through the galleries & showed her the novelties.

Mr Corcoran came in & looked over one section of Gerome. He tells me that Ulke wants him to take the <u>large</u> <u>Grant</u> <u>portrait</u>, but he insists on a small copy uniform with the other Presidents – for $150- & that Ulke begged for an additional <u>fifty</u> in vain.

V. 565 C. 29 $7.25 P. 7 $6.75

Apl. 9.

<u>Easter-Sunday</u> – cloudy mild morning with a little bright sunshine at noon, but in the afternoon a cold rain set in, which fell all night.

April 10

Raw cold wind & rain with a sprinkling of snow & hail at 2.p. m.
Gave to McElroy names of Prests. Johnson & Hayes, for tablets on frames. Letter with money order for $.50 from J.J. Gillespie & Co. Pittsburgh, for 6 copies of "Lost Dogs". Sent by express with letter.

Mr Ulke called. Will send for his portrait of Gen Grant.
Miss Lockwood called, & will send for "He's coming", tomorrow.
Mr Mooney submitted copy of "Cupid", but had to change part of it.

Meeting of the Art Committee

Art Committee met at 11.a.m. Messrs. Kauffmann, Clark & McGuire present.
Proceedings of last meeting read, & with amendment approved.

Mr Deschamps letter to the Committee was read & the Curator directed to state in acknowledging it, that the Committee is not prepared at present to act upon it, and some of the Trustees may probably visit Europe this year & confer personally with Mr Tadema.

Mrs Tilden's letter & photo, were considered & the Curator directed to to state price, artist & date of the picture - & ~~his suggestion~~ that some members of the Committee may visit N. York, & examine the picture. Wrote to her.
Curator is also to acknowledge letter from W. Heartt N. Orleans, & wrote to his sister in New Haven for size & price of the portrait of Sir Thos. Lawrence - & in a private note to ask Prof. J.F. Weir's opinion of it. Wrote to both.
Miss Holmen's example for copying accepted.
The 6 sections of "Gerome's Works" were exhibited.

Mr Stiepevich's letter ans'd

At Mr Clark's suggestion, acknowledged Stiepevich's letter & returned his designs, stating that they were not used here in the work of decorating the gallery.

Meeting of The Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees met at noon. Present, Dr. J.C. Welling Prest. Messrs. Clark, Baird, J.C. McGuire, Kauffmann, F.B. McGuire & Mr Hyde. Mr Corcoran was also present.
Letter was read from Mr Ezekiel to Mr Corcoran, asking for a remittance of $1200 on a/c of statues. Agreed to.
Mr Kauffmann read a report of the work of Committee on art since Jany 11th. accepted & adopted, also his special report on the best means of securing the best pictures for the Gallery & enlarging it for a school of design. Referred back to the Committee to report resolutions to carry out these purposes.

At the suggestion of Mr Corcoran $200 per annum from Jan. 1. /82 be allowed to Mr Hyde for his services as Secretary & Treasurer.

Mr Corcoran presented a statement of the securities of this Institution. (It appears by it that the Amt. is over a million, & the income over $42,000.

Audubon's "Game" purchased for $312, if genuine.

The Audubon picture of "Game" was ordered to be purchased for $312 if satisfied with its genuineness.

The purchase of the Photogravures of Gerome's works for $150. was authorized.

The titles of Secretary & Treasurer, & assistant Curator & Librarian were adopted.

Curator's Contingent a/c referred, & $100 appropriated for that Fund.

The night-exhibitions ordered to close for the season on April 13. To be advertised in all the papers.
V. 90 + 5 $22.50 C. 3 75 P. 3 $2.25

Apl. 11

Cold – very – ice this morning – the day partially cloudy, a spit of snow!

Receipted bill for $90. for "Gerome", 6 sections, returned by S.H. Hall N.Y.

A. blacguard's letter

A most impudent, coarse letter from S.A. Coale St. Louis stating that France had offered him $15,000 for his picture of "Achilles' Horses", but he would rather keep it, if he can't get $20,000." He then wonders how "the damn fools who represented this Gallery at the sale, permitted it to be sold for what he gave for it, that on "our Committee must have had the fellow that has paid $3500, for one of Van Marck's bulls! (Mr Walters bought ~~that~~ the "Yellow Cow" by Van Marck"!) truly a step from the sublime to the ridiculous," & then calls out "Slough these old fogies off! & get young, enterprising, intelligent men, & your gallery will some day amount to something! As it is, a more miserable lot of trash I never saw in a public gallery."

Wrote to Mr Deschamps in reply to his letter to the Committee. Told him, it was not prepared to act on the matter he writes about, but that it is expected that some members will visit Europe this season, and have a personal interview with Mr Tadema.

Wrote to Profr Weir, New Haven, to learn what he thinks of Mrs. Prescott's picture.

Mr D. Dorr Curator ^& Secretary^ of the Memorial Hall, of the Penn. Museum & School of Industrial Art Phila. & Mr. Chas E. Dana Trustee, called, & were interested in the works of the Gallery.

V. 600 C. 42 $10.50 P. 15 $9.75

April 12

Cold with a fresh northwest wind. My birth-day.

Private letter from my friend Mrs Shedd, acknowledging the "Hermes" with warmest thanks, & enclosing a newspaper slip notice of the sale of the Wolfe Collection.

Reception of portrait of Johnson & Hayes by Andrews

Mr. McElroy brought the portraits of Prests. Johnson & Hayes, with the name of the latter ~~named~~ spelt Hays.

Mr F. B. McGuire called & was amused with the coarse letter of S. H. Coale, St Louis, and took it away to show it to Mr Kauffmann. He says that Ochme of Goupil & Co, told him Coale mortgaged his house to buy the "Horses of Achilles!"
Mr McGuire brought a catalogue of prices of Wolfe's collection, which was copied into our catalogue.

Dropped a note to McElroy to correct error in the name of Prest Hayes on the tablet of his portrait.

Mr Corcoran & Miss Eustis called.

Mr Hyde asked if the Art-Committee had certified to the genuiness of the "Audubon", & on being informed it was not, he declined settling Barlow's bill $312. This afternoon in my absence, Mr B. sent a note requesting me to deliver the picture to the bearer. Dr Barbarin justly declined.

Miss Lockwood sent for & got her picture of "He's Coming.
V. 137 + 23 $34.25 C. 20 $5.00 P. 10 $7.75

Apl. 13

Bright and calm & warm at last!

Mr Barlow again sent up for the "Audubon", & I declined sending it in a note explaining my want of authority, & intimating that Mr McGuire or Mr Kauffman by certifying to its genuineness, would remove Mr Hyde's objection to paying the bill for it.

Postal from Thos. Le Clear requesting return of his Garfield, sent it by B&O Express, & wrote postal.

Letter from C. E. Thompson, Park Av. Hotel N.Y. asking if in the Gallery on the night of Apl. 6. an English overcoat had been left. Sent postal that no such garment was found here at anytime.

Note from Profr Weir, stating he had neither seen, nor heard of the "Lawrence" in Mrs. Prescott's collection. New Haven.

Blanks for artists' pictures rec'd from Miss Hallowell, Chicago.
McElroy brought back the Hayes tablet rightly spelt.
No "Post" to-day. Sent postal notice to the office of our frequent loss of it.

Mr Walker artist, & Mr Amidon called. The former admires the "Decapitation" very much. Mr Corcoran came in & went round the Gallery with a magnifying glass, trying to see the works his liberality has spread before the people. It is sad to think of what he is deprived of.

The "Game" by Audubon returned unbought

Letter from ^Mr^ Kauffman stating he & Mr McGuire had been told ^by Mr Barlow^ that he could not give further evidence of the genuineness of the "Audubon", & therefore gave him a verbal order to send for it. He apologizes for not giving him a written order, and not telling me of their action. He requests the picture to be returned which was done.

Postal from Miss Clara Franklin, Waco, Texas, asking for the name & address of the President of the Kensington Art School. Answered that I could not give it.
The ^last^ night exhibition was well attended.

V. 640 (Day)		C. 44	$11.00	P. 9	$6.75	
V. 320 + 12	$32.00	C 21	5.25	P. 3	2.25	
Total	972	$32.00	65	$16.25	12	$9.00

Apl. 14

Cloudy & mild, with signs of rain.

Letter from Stiepevich &Co. N.Y. in reference to not having been employed last summer to paint the galleries.

Note from Mrs. Tilden N.Y. "St Helen taking Constantine to Heaven" is the name of her picture. Artists say it is worth $3,000, but will let the Art Committee name price. It is at O'Brien's – 3d Av. & 12st. N.Y.

Mr Corcoran with a party of Philadelphians called early.

Genl. & Mrs Beach of Hartford came & we had a pleasant chat.

Mr Hyde sent for & got a letter from Ezekiel of April 27 /81.

1 Corday rec'd

1 ~~5~~ Cordays 12 x 16 from Rice
Dr Barbarin being ill, went home at 1 p.m.

V. 113 $28.25 C. 18 $4.50 P. 5 $3.50

Apl. 15

Cloudy & mild.
Dr Barbarin came for a few minutes, then went home, being unwell.

5 "Cordays" rec'd

Received from Rice 5 "Cordays" 12 x 16. Will send more on Monday.

Mr F. B. McGuire called & got complete list of prices of the Gallery's pictures.

Messrs. McDonald, Walker artists & Mr Clarke ^(Educational Bureau)^ called, afterwards Mr Corcoran came in & he & Mr Clarke had some conversation about the printing of the latter's description of the Gallery.

Dr Martindale, Miss Ball, & Miss called and were delighted with the Gallery.

Mr Patterson book agent ^in New York^ for the London Art Journal called with a specimen of a work made up of engravings from that periodical. He tells me their house in New York issues that Journal with four pages of american art matter, & will being a specimen of it on Monday.

V. 530 C. 48 $12.00 P. 4 $3.00

Apl. 17

Bright, mild & pleasant.
Emancipation Day. The streets lined with negroes waiting to see their procession from 9 a.m. until.

Dr Barbarin present to-day.

Mr Patterson of the American edition of the "London Art Journal" called with a specimen but the plates & paper are far inferior.

Mr Clark left order to have the outside of the building oiled.

The Art-Committee met at 1 p.m. Present Messrs Kauffmann, Clark & McGuire – Mr Corcoran came in for a moment.

Proceedings of last meeting read & approved.

Several letters to the Curator were read by the Chair.
1st. From S. A. Coale St. Louis. Mr Kauffman will retain this blackguard effusion, until he can learn something of the writer.

2d. Prof Weir's letter expressing his ignorance of the picture by "Lawrence".

3 Mrs. ~~Prescott's~~ Tilden's, about her picture & photograph. Curator to repeat the substance of his first letter.

Mr Clark delivered an order from Peale to deliver the "Washington" by C.W. Peale. Mr Miller will come for it. The Library Committee has bought for $500.

Mr Kauffmann notified the Committee of the action of the Board of Trustees, upon the paper referring to the best way of supplying the Gallery with choice works, & which was referred back to the Committee with instructions to report resolutions were read & amended for submission to the Board at its next meeting.

Mr Mooney's "Cupid" & Mrs Ward's "Vestal" (figure) were passed as approved.

Mr Farris' "Odalisque" was returned for improvement in hands & arm.

Mr Quincy Ward came, and went through the Gallery.

Prof & Mrs with Miss Newcomb called and examined the galleries with great interest.

V. 66 + 85 $16.50 C 5 $1.25 P. 6 $4.75

Apl. 18

Bright, calm & much the warmest this season <u>no fire</u>! Therr. 68˚. in our cool office.

A Mr Sa^u^nders, brought a letter from Mr Barrie Phila. He is agent for an engraved portrait of the later Mr Longfellow poet, engraved in line manner by Marshall of New York after his own portrait. The price is $100. each, 1000 copies to be issued.
Gave some names of prominent persons to Mr S.

Mr Corcoran came in, admired the print, but emphatically declined subscribing.
Miss Tunstall came with him, on her way from Baltimore to Virginia. She did not see Mr Walters' "Sappho". We are to send her photos of herself with a copy of "Vestal" figure and Fontainbleau.

Mr F.B. McGuire called & I went with him to Mr Corcoran's to see Mr Ward at work modelling Mr. Corcoran's bust. It promises well. Mr McG. is disposed to buy a copy of the "Longfellow". He invited to meet Mr Ward at dinner with him tomorrow at six p.m. I will go.

17 "Cordays" 12 x 16. sent up by Mr Rice.

V. 415 C. 28 $7.00 P. 2 $1.50

Apl. 19

Cold with wind & rain.

Rec'd at 11 o'clock last night a telegram from Mr Bierstadt, asking if I had arranged for our man to unpack & hang his pictures. I replied that I would engage proper workmen for the job, as soon as I knew the pictures had come. I requested him not to send them here.

Mr. Saunders called to meet Mr Corcoran, who did not call to-day.

Mr Kauffman came in & saw the "Longfellow" engraving. He does not think it a desirable purchase for the gallery, nor worth the price asked. Mr K. is in favor of the coloring of the walls of this room & the construction of a small room extending into the court.

Mr Ward came in & admires the "Longfellow." Mr Walker artist also called & has the same opinion.

Wrote to Mr Bierstadt in explanation of my telegram.

Col. Berrett called & stated he had a letter from Mr Thompson Southampton, England, owner of "Columbus & his Family", which he wishes Col. B. to have placed in the Capitol, but as it can be placed in a Committee-room only, the latter asked if it could not remain here for a month, to which I assented, with the understanding that if not removed then, it will be put in the cellar in its box.

V. 98 + 5 $24.50 C. 13 $1.325 P. 3 75cts
Mr Cassidy finished oiling the base portion of stonework.

Apl. 20

Bright, breezy and pleasant.

"Kenilworth Castle" by Thos. Cole.

Mr Hyde brought a letter to Mr Corcoran from John J. Pratt, Wakefield, Mass. in which he offers for sale a painting by late Thos. Cole of "Kenilworth Castle", originally costing $1500, but will be sold for less. By request of Mr Corcoran, I have acknowledged the letter & stated that the Gallery having three Coles now, Mr C. declines purchasing it. Mr Pratt says the picture was painted for his mother, & has remained in the family ever since. Mr Tuckerman in his "Book of the Artists" states that "it belongs to J. Taylor Johnston N.Y.
Mr Pratt also has a portrait of Cole by his father Henry C. Pratt.

Mr Bierstadt's picture. Interview with President Arthur.

Received a letter from Mr Bierstadt in reference to having certain pictures of his hung in the President's House, for which he sends a diagram of the locus in quo. He encloses Adams' Express receipt, & a letter to the President, with his card introducing me. Saw President Arthur, who grants every facility.
He spoke of sending Mrs. Hayes' picture here, & I said I must be authorized to receive by the Board or Mr Corcoran. He will see Mr C.
A Dr Nickerson representing 100 members of a Mutual Insurance Co. ^now^ in Baltimore called to see if they could be admitted free on Friday week. I assented & sold them 6 catalogues for $1.00.

Mr Brady called & took away his book of negatives.

7 "Cordays" rec'd

7 "Cordays" received today.
Mr Corcoran called. He is not disposed to buy a copy of "Longfellow".
Mr Saunders took the framed print.
Miss E.B. Johnston sent for examination a copy of her Washington Post.
V. 475 C. 38 $9.50 P. 9 $6.25

Apl. 21

A cold, windy March-like morning.

Postal card for Dr Welling, "or any Trustee" from Phila. proposing to sell for 50 dollars 25 parts of a work "Treasures of Art, Industry & Manufacture" represented in the Centennial Exposition at Phila. 1876". It was dedicated to Dom Pedro of Brazil, & contains 50 colored engravings.

The Janitor reports John Mann as working at the furnace at 6.a.m. the fireman admitting him for that purpose (at his own expense) without authority. Admonished him that acts must cease.

Read with interest Miss Johnson's "Portraits of Washington". She and her sister called, & at her request for corrections pointed out a few noticeable ones. It is worthy of being purchased for the gallery.

Telephone this morning to Adams Express to know of Bierstadt's pictures had been sent to the President's House. It had not. Told them to notify me when it was sent there.

Mr C. E. Norton called & showed a letter from "Harpers N.Y." that the engraver had not yet completed cut from photos of statues.

Wrote to Mr Bierstadt, that I had seen Prest. Arthur & arranged for the hanging of his picture, but it had not arrived there yet.

17 "Cordays" rec'd from Rice.
V. 141 + 5 $35.25 C. 25 $6.25 P. 9 $7.50

Apl. 22

Another March Day! Cold, windy, squally with a short fall of hail at 7 a.m. of a singular kind, like pellets of hard frozen snow – or like pop-corn!

Invitations to Trustees & self to visit exhibitions in Baltimore of pictures by Becket & Bertha Von Hillen.

Postal from Chas. M. Kurtz, 23 Gramercy Park, N.Y. He is collecting catalogues of Art Galleries &c & wishes to exchange for one of ours, a copy of the "Art Notes of the N.Y. Academy's Exhibition this year. Sent one, & wrote for information about etched-illustrations &c.

Rec'd member's season Ticket to San Francisco Art Association's Exhibition.

Hearing nothing of Bierstadt's picture, went to the Executive Mansion, & found it there, but unboxed. Took Mr. Taylor there, & showed the place for hanging it. The President came out & I had a pleasant interview. He freely gave permission to have the frame fastened in the hall, & in fact, to do all that was necessary.

Saw Mr Corcoran & told him the President would see him about receiving the Hayes portrait. He does not object if the Prest. wishes.

Judge Robt. Gilmor & children, Baltimore, called to see the St. Memin: Volume and corrected the name of Mrs. Robt. Gilmor on one print to Mr. William.

V. 650 C. 41 $10.25 P. 6 $4.50

Apl. 23

Sabbath. Two inches of snow!

About 10 1.2 a.m. the rain of the morning turned into a fall of hail for several minutes, and then into a steady fall of snow until near 3 p.m. ^when it began to rain.^ In spite of the wet condition of everything exposed to it, the flakes were so large & fell so thickly, that in a short time the streets, pavements, house-tops, trees, shrubs, flowers,-every thing was covered finally to the depth of two inches – affording a most singular contract to the green signs of spring in trees & flowers in the morning. In my back-yard, where ^are^ many fruit-trees all in bloom, the aspect was most astonishing, as the trees were bending beneath the weight of the snow. Towards evening the rain had melted most of the snow on the streets and pavements, but the grassy yards & house-tops remained white until the next morning.
The temperature was raw and disagreeable.
Such a fall~~s~~ of snow at this date is unprecedented.

Apl. 24.

Monday, Bright and pleasantly cool. The house-tops and yards remained white until after 10'clock, and at an early hour the snow appeared icy. Much fear is expressed for the fruit, though the fall of snow was confined to this district & neighborhood. It did not extend beyond Beltsville on the Baltimore Rail-Road – 12 miles.
It was a curious sight-presented in the "Thomas Circle", as I passed at 9 a.m. above the whitened ground appeared pink & purple hyacinths!

A heavier snow Apl 29. 1874

I find on referring to my record April 29 1874, that "a furious snow storm set in the previous night, and in the next morning three inches of snow were on the ground, though it soon began to melt ^on^ that day the Sculpture & Bronze Galleries were ^first^ opened to the public with only 56 visitors! So yesterday's snow was not the biggest one ever known at this season.

A leak again in the Main Gallery & the West Side Gallery also.

"Captain Jack" came from Mr E. Clark, for the "Washington by C. W. Peale, which was delivered to him.

Meeting of the Art Committee

The Art-Committee met at 1 p.m.

Present, Messrs Kauffmann & Clark. Mr McGuire is laid up with gout of rheumatism.
Mr Corcoran came in for a few minutes.
The few letters read were of no importance.
Miss Evans' "Lake George, Sunset," & Mrs. Patterson's copy of Doughty's little landscape were approved & passed.

Miss Johnston proposal to sell to the Trustees a copy of her "Washington Portraits," was declined, as Mr Corcoran got one for the Gallery.

Mr Clark examined the outside lower part of building Miss Tunstall called & took leave ere returning home. She thinks Mr Ward's bust of Mr Corcoran will be perfect.
V. 92 + 5 $23.00 C. 16 $4.00 P. 4 $3.00

Apl. 25

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Mr Flaherty came to resume work on the roof.

Mr & Mrs Kennon called to examine the St. Memin portraits.

Went with Mr Ward to see his bust of Mr Corcoran now being modelled at the latter's house. It is remarkably faithful & full of character. It is a pity that it is taken at such an advanced age, when much of the manly comeliness of his former years is gone, and Mr Ward rightly is averse to forcing a younger look upon the features, though he has skilfully softened many of the marks & lines of extreme senility. It is fortunate for this gallery, for the world that so good a portraiture of the veteran philanthropist is secured.

Miss Jones came into Mr Ward's room, & wished me to stop in the Library & see Mr C which I did. He was quite unwell to-day, being troubled with chilliness. I found with him Miss Sarah N. Randolph, great grand-daughter of Thos. Jefferson to whom he was then telling a joke. Miss R. showed me a photograph of ~~T~~ a portrait of Thos Jefferson in the Dept, which was painted by C. Wilson Peale. I pointed out the nose as too aquiline, whereas all other portraits did not so represent it. She agreed with me that it was an error, & also told me that the portrait of Madison she brought here some years ago for repair & as painted by Stuart, but which I then disbelieved, she had since discovered was painted by Pyne.

V. 485 C. 31 $7.75 P. 3 $2.25

Apl. 26

Cloudy and somewhat chilly, in the evening heavy rain.

Letter from C.M. Kurtz, acknowledging catalogue & giving hints about illustrations for catalogue. He recommends the photo-engravings – He pays $3.00 for type-metal original & one electrotype. The drawings, of course, are not included.

Letter from Art Manager (W. Lewis Frazer) of "Century" asking if I could recommend a good photograph of this Gallery. I referred him to W. P. Allen, West Gardner Mass.

Mr Dougal, engraver, called also Mr Brady.

Profr Loomis of Po'keepsie with friend called. He spoke of Mr. McEntee's pictures, & hoped we would get one. I stated our disappointment over the "Clouds" he sent here, which did not surprise Profr L. He says McEntee is poor & over-modest. I requested him to call & see Mr Kauffmann.

Bradley called for titles of the new statues. Gave them. He will be ready to set them up on Monday.

$100. Cont Fund rec'd.

Got $100, Contingt. Fund from Mr Hyde.

Mr Corcoran called with a letter to him Mr Fraser of "Century" asking for a good photograph of him. He will attend to it. But at his request I recalled the letter to Mr Fraser I had written & wrote another, sending the copy of Allen's photo of the building, a copy of the catalogue, and asked if we could see his ~~de~~ article about the Gallery before publication, as we are anxious that it may ^be^ full & correct.
V. 86 + 1 $21.50 C. 14 $3.50

Apl. 27

Bright & bracing cool air, after last nights rain.

Came late to my desk, owing to indisposition.

Mr S. H. Parker artist N.Y. brought a photograph of a painting by him, "St. Sebastian" representing the martyr on his back, a female bends over pouring a liquid into a wound in his breast. A man & another female bend over him. Mr P. says Mr Corcoran told him to bring it to me, have it framed. The painting is in New York, price $1,000. 4 ft x 7 ft. The subject is one of the painful repulsive kind, the French artists are partial to. Mr Corcoran afterwards called he meant the painting to be exhibited here not the print.
Mr Seaton Donoho, called and carried away his three pictures.

Messrs McGuire & Ward called.

Miss Johnston came & was informed of the refusal of her "Washington Portraits" by the Art-Committee, as Mr Corcoran would give his to the Gallery. She sold it to Mr Ward, & I sent it to Mr J.C. McGuire.

Had to go home at 3 p.m. from indisposition.

V. 400 C. 18 $4.50 P. (7) $3.75

Apl. 28

Bright and genially pleasant.

Mr Morrison sent bill for stationary – Certified, & sent it to Mr Hyde.

Letter from Miss M. Leize Parker, Gordonsville Va. Requests me to send such measurements of the "Corday" Head, as will enable her to make a crayon copy of the exact size of the original. Wrote her that the rule forbidding the copy of a part of any picture of the size of the original, forbade me to comply with her request.

Royal Arcanum Party

One hundred ladies & gentlemen, members of the Royal Arcanum, Life Insurance organization came from Baltimore at 12 ½ o'clock. They stopped 15 minutes only surveying the galleries, & were all delighted. I sent for Mr Corcoran but he had left his office. He came in soon after they left.

Mrs. Tilden, owner of the Photograph of "Constantine" & the painting called with a friend. She urged the purchase of the work.

V. 87 + 105 $21.75 C. 16 $4.00 P. 3 $2.25

Apl. 29.

Cloudy but mild, with signs of rain.
I am too ill to remain long to-day.
Letter from Mr Bierstadt, stating he had sent yesterday by express a box containing 4 pictures, as he thinks Taylor may prefer to unpack it in his shop. Ought to have sent it to the President's House. Wrote him.

Miss Lulie Eustis (grand-daughter ^of^ Mr Corcoran) brought some family photos to have framed in passe-partoul. Will send them to McElroy.

Mr Thos. F. Byers called with wife & boy to examine the Gerome photogravures. He comes from Mr Barrie Phila.

Mr F. B. McGuire called.

Mr Corcoran called & I read to him the copy of my letter to the Art Manager of the "Century", which he approved. He tells me Mr Fraser has written to him that he will send to him a proof of the ~~manuscript des w~~ ~~description~~ article on the Gallery, before publication.

Went home indisposed at one o'clock.
Rice sent up a lot of photos.
V. 435 C. 31 $7.75 P. 2 $1.50

May 1

Monday. May-day. Bright and mild.

Mr Saunders called & left a note to the Art Committee.

Barnum's great circus passed, without Jumbo – Mr Matthews & family came in to view it – crowd on the front steps.

Mr Corcoran came & read a letter to Miss Tunstall from Mr Ezekiel, in which he complains of the of the unremuneratial price for his statues, of the silence of Mr Corcoran & myself about them &c &c. Mr C. expressed great sympathy over him, & intimated that he would finally present with $1000 over the cost of the work. Mr E. writes in rather a morbid way about the want of encouragement of his works by Americans, whereas I suspect it comes from his devotion to High Art, - his Judith, his Homer, &c, and not to what may be popular.
Dr. Dovilliers called & got a "Star" containing correspondence about the rear lot of Adml Lee. The Art-Committee met 1.p.m. Present Messrs Kauffman Clark & McGuire – Mr Corcoran was present for a short time.
Mr Saunders' letter was read, & it was voted that the purchase of the print of "Longfellow" be recommended, with the approval of Mr Corcoran.

Mr Kurtz's letter about illustrations of Calagone was read also Mr Frazer's request for a photo of the building. The Committee authorized me to send to him the large view, & also the smaller one, showing the statuary, and also to order some of Mr Allen's for sale.

Miss Babcock's copy of Stuart's "Justice Shippen was passed.

About the painting of "St Sebastian", its purchase not desired and if Mr Corcoran wishes it it can be sent for exhibition.

Mrs Rutherford's old pictures declined.

Committee decided upon the Titian statue being placed in niche, corner of Pa. Av. & 17th St.

Went with the Committee to see Wards model of Mr Corcoran's bust. It is very good, but still I think the brow is knitted too much. As I have said before the month shows too much senilty (though it is true to the life) to make the bust pleasing in that feature, as it would have been twenty years ago.

V. 84 + 5 $21.00 C. 13 $3.25 P. 2 $2.75

May 2.

Bright but cool, with a high north-west wind. No fire again, owing to negligence of fireman.

Card of thanks for the view of the gallery from Mr Fraser. Wrote to him about the large & small views sent to him by express.

Mrs Rutherford called & got her old pictures.

Mr Saunders called. Told him of the action of the Art Comttee. on his letter.

Mr Bradley came with me & machinery to raise the two statues.

Dr Barbarin left for home suddenly at 11 a.m.

The wind blew down a ladder which broke off the stone ornament of a window outside on 17th St.
Mr Corcoran and Miss Robinson called. She says that the original of the negro father in the "Pastoral" is indignant because the artist ^did not give a part of its price.^
Sorted Rice photographs accepted 39 Vestal (whole subject) 12 x 16 20 "Cordays" 12 x 16 – 3 do. 18 x 22, 25. Pastoral Visit 12 x 16. Declined 9 Cordays 12 x 22, -4 Cordays 12 x 16 – 1 Vestal 12 x 16. 1 "Pastoral" V. 12 x 16.
V. 375 C 25 $6.25 P. 1 $-75cts

May 3

Bright & cool. Last night decidedly cold – Fire comfortable.

Mr Rice sent up his bill. Saw at his studio, the finest photograph of Mr Corcoran ever issued, & a good one of Mr Riggs, as he was many years ago.

Notified Mr Hyde of Mr Hedgman's unauthorized absence from the gallery yesterday between 3 & 4 p.m.

Saw exhibition of oil & water-color paintings by Art Club- The letter are best. But the collection generally of ordinary merit.

Mr Dennis of Chicago examined our Gallery & catalogues.

Mr Corcoran called.
Mr Hedgman not here to-day.
Bradley at work. Has taken down one old pedestal.

V. 145 + 2 $35.25 C. 17 $4.24 P. 3 $3.50

May 4.

Cloudy with rain. Temperature mild.

Found there was so much excess of material at the back of the "Leonardo" over the curved back of the niche, that it was necessary for Bradley to remove two inches of the marble behind & two inches of the plinth in front. Will send measurements of the niche to Ezekiel to avoid future blunders.

Wrote to S.H. Parker artist 34. W. 49th St. N.Y. enclosing Rules for exhibitions, if he wishes to sent "St. Sebastian", at his expense.

Sent four dollars to Tice & Lynch N.Y. for payment for March & April, to B.F. Stevens, London, England.

Overhauled Mr Rice's bill; made deductions from it of the value of the photos. declined, & wrote to him explaining the alteration & giving items of it.

Mr Corcoran & Mr Ward came in to look over the St. Memin prints. The latter is in great spirits over his trip to Mt. Vernon, where he saw David d'Anger's bust of Lafayette, and though Mr Corcoran was allowed to take it to New York for his statue of Lafayette.

Wrote to Mr Bierstadt that his four small pictures have arrived at the President's House, & Taylor will put them up tomorrow.

The B.&O. Express failing to call for the package addressed to Mr Frazer, "Century" N.Y. sent it by Adams' Express.

V. 390 C. 26 $6.50 P. 3 $2.25

Mr Corcoran, on being told that the Art Committee recommended the purchase of the engraved portrait of "Longfellow" with his approval", at once said he would concur with their wish.

May 5.

Heavy rain last night, & some this morning. Mild but damp, it interrupts Bradley's work on the statues.

Letters from Jas. D. Witman & G. B. Bryan Phila. The latter asks my opinion of the merit of "The Challenge" by C.F. Witman, lately exhibited here, which he thinks of buying. I replied that though the subject was not to my taste, yet its various excellences were greatly admired by others - The former referred to Mr B's intention, & hoped I would help him in the matter. Answered him.

Rec'd 1sr 2r. No. of L'Art, & bill ($9.00). Sent to Mr Hyde with Mr Rice's bill.

Mr Corcoran ^called^ & was told that the photograph of Ezekiel's design for the pediment, could not be found. He at once directed me to write to him to send another copy, & will do so tomorrow after I get the measurements of the niche from Bradley.

Miss Bertha Von Hillern & Miss Beckert artists called. They wish to exhibit a picture by the former next week. It will come from Baltimore. She signed the Rules.

V. 106 + 9 $26.50 C. 15 $3.75 P. 4 $2.75

May 6

Cloudy & very raw – in fact cold enough for heavy overcoat.

Rec'd receipt from Tice & Lynch, N.Y. for subsn. to B.T. Stevens.

A finger knocked off one of the group of Three Graces or Charities.

Saw at the President's House, Bierstadt's small pictures, hung yesterday, & found them beautiful. Wrote him & sent bill from Williams' for the work done by Mr Taylor.

Mrs. Laura Fleming Ia. wishes to copy "Corday" & will send sample of figure-painting on Monday.

Mr Corcoran called & brought all of Ezekiel's letters to him, also a letter to him from Mr Pennington artist, Paris, in reference to the subject of the picture ordered by Mr C. H (Mr P.) suggests such a subject as <u>Horace</u> <u>feasting</u> <u>his</u> friends under the trees." Pretty girls & Falernian aiding the scene with dance & wine! Mr P. also urges Mr C. to secure a picture from Mr Sargent the great American artist in Paris Mr Corcoran has requested him to send over the price & photo of any fine picture by Sargent.

V. 265 C. 18 $4.50 P. 6 $4.00

May 8

Cloudy but mild.

Postal from Mr Witman Phila. with thanks for my letter to Mr Bongan, & wishes to retain his brother's picture until he hears from him in New York.

Earle & Son's order – Bill sent $18.00

Postal order from Earle & Sons Phila. for 2 vestal figures large, & 2 Pastoral Visits large- Sent them with bill for them & purchase in Apl. $10.00 -- $18.00 in all.

Letter from Miss Tunstall, wishes to know in what publication the photos. of Titian & Da Vinci, and hopes we will send a copy to Mr Ezekiel.

Mr Bradley at work on both statues. Da Vinci was safely set up.

Five boxes of Mr Phelps' pictures received from New York with letter & invoice from Mr Bond, the agent, but containing no account of the paintings. Opened them on the pavement & brought them into our office. A view of "Damascus" by F.E. Church, view of Mt "Chocurana" N.H. by Huntington – a group of Puritan soldiers by Cawphausen, 2 Family Portraits by do. A winter scene by McEntee - & a genre piece by Gay, & a large work by Hill – This last we put in a box in the cellar.

Mr Corcoran confined to his bed

Mr Corcoran is reported to be sick in bed.

Art Committee does not meet

At 1.p.m. Mr Kauffman was the only member of the Art Committee who attended: Mr McGuire being out of town and Mr Clark telephoned that he could not be present. There was therefore no meeting. Mr Kauffmann however, examined the specimens of painting by Mrs Fleming & approved them as entitling her to copy. And returned the copies of "Niagara" & of the "Child & Nurse" for improvement.

Mr Kauffmann admires the "Chocorua" very much, & we decided upon the position in the gallery the new pictures are to occupy.

Mr Kauffman brought back to the Coale letter about the "Horses of Achilles" and left a slip about the pictures in Hamilton Palace, £ 1.1.0.

My old friend Hudson Taylor, formerly of this city, called.

The military funerals of Major Twining (one of the Commissioners of the District) & of Admiral Rodgers, made a stir around the gallery, & with the elevation of the statues and the opening of the boxes of pictures drew a crowd around us.

Mr Kauffmann declined signing the order for a copy of Longfellow's portrait. Mr Saunders called afterwards & I told him the matter would be over until the next meeting of the Art Committee.

V. 68 + 2 $17.00 C. 9 $2.25

May 9.

Bright & warm – no fires! No overcoats!

Mr Corcoran is still in bed from illness.

Mr Taylor put the "Chocarua" in its frame, and I have hung all the "Phelps" pictures in the side & south-east galleries. The large landscapes need more light than the U latter gallery gives.

Bradley set up safely the Titian, which looks very fine at its conspicuous angle of the building.

I placed Witman's snow scene in its box in the cellar.

Wrote to Mr Bond N.Y. acknowledging receipt of 5 boxes pictures & told him I would send the bills tomorrow.

Saw Dr Welling who told me Mr Corcoran had been quite ill from a cold on his breast. Dr W. says he will call & see the "Phelps" collection.

V. 374 C. 28 $7.00 P. 6 $4.50

May 10

Cloudy with slight showers. Temperature mild. The Titian was safely set up yesterday evening.
Letter from Mr Bierstadt enclosing check for $15.00 for Williams in a package containing also an exquisite print of Prest. Garfield, in ordinary printer's ink, and on a substance of porcelain character. Nothing can exceed the delicacy of the work. It is called and Artotype. Wrote to Mr B. & returned Williams' receipt.

Jouy's photos.

Sorted Jouy's photos & accepted 15 Cromwell & Milton – 4 Fontainebleau – 5 Lost Dogs. – 6 Satyrs – 1 Napoleon ¾ 9 Napoleon (profile) 2 Forced Prayer – 12 Drove at the Ford – 2 Mt. Corcoran – 13 Odalisque- 69 on all.

Mr Crawford states that the Exhibition of Belgian Pictures in Penn. Academy is remarkably fine.

Carl Hubner's Poacher's Death

Mr F.B. McGuire came in just from a trip to the James River, where he saw at "Brandon" & other places, superb examples of Sir Godfrey Kneller, Sir Peter Lely & others. He left a letter from Mr Avery to him calling his attention to the "Poacher's Death" by Carl Hubner, of the Dusselfdorf Gallery, & sold at J. Taylor Johnstone's sale for $1600. It can be bought for that price. Mr McG. told him to send it on about the 12th of June.

Mr Corcoran in ^bed.^

Mr Corcoran too ill to leave his bed.
V. 103 + 7 $25.75 C. 13 $3.25

May 11

More rain, with a cold raw breeze – fire again!

Note from G.P.A. Healy Esq. Park Ave. Hotel N.Y. requesting to have his portrait of Miss Thursby sent by express to him by Monday 15th. as he will sail for Europe on the 17th.
Got Mr Taylor to pack it, & sent it by express this afternoon & wrote him.
Mr Corcoran still unable to leave his bed.
Letter from W. E. Bond, 2 Wall St. N.Y. giving the titles of Mr Phelps' pictures, as given by the Metropolitan Museum of Art N.Y. as follows
1 Mount Chicorua N.H. 2 Portrait of a Gentleman &
3 Portrait of a Lady & Boy – all D.S. Huntington.
4 View of "Damascus" by F.E. Church – 5 Boy Whistling by Gay – 6 Brook in Autumn by J. McEntee – 7 Round head's Prayer" by Camphausen – 8 German country-life by Lewis.

Mr R. S. Menamin & friend came with Mr Gibson, printer, & notified in that a Printer's Association will visit this Gallery on June 6. Told them they could enter free on any secular day.

Received a box containing the "St Sebastian" by Mr Parker N.Y. and paid $16.15 for freight on it. It is a very poor work, worse than the photo represented it. No letter from the artist or anyone.

Wrote to F.H. McGuire about Metsys' "Triptich", and recommended him to apply to John, P. Soule Boston for a list of photos.

V. 350 C. 22 $5.50 P. 1 75cts

May 12

Still cloudy & damp though mild, after last night's cold rain.

Letter from W. E. Bond N.Y. enclosing check for $26.14 to pay freight, cartage, unpacking & hanging Phelps pictures. Sent receipt, & exhibitor's Rules for signature. Cashed check and paid Williams $4.00.
Letter from S. Hill Parker about his St. Sebastian, enclosing signed Rules for Exhibitors, but saying nothing about paying for freight, though he requests me to "attend to varnishing it," & let him know the expense!
Miss Eustis came in, & two other ladies called & expressed great admiration of the work! In the opinion of most persons it is very poorly executed.

Misses Bertha Von Hiller's landscape came by express. It is a wood scene, badly colored & unfit to be exhibited in this gallery.

Wrote to G. P. A. Healy enclosing cheque for $13.00 and also Williams' two bills for boxing & packing the "Archbishop" ↑$500↓ & Miss Thursby $2.00 -- $7.00 – Amt of funds $20. left me sometime ago to meet these expenses.

Messrs McGuire, T.J. Fisher, H. Taylor & Mr Hulme called the former execiates St. Sebastian.
Mr Corcoran unable to leave his bed.

V. 117 + 8 $29.25 C. 10 $2.50 P. 2 $1.50

May 13.

Heavy rains yet! & a gloomy raw air.

Mr Corcoran better.

Mr Corcoran is still confined to his bed, though better. He has had a slight attack of pneumonia.

Mr Andrews sent up two portraits of children for exhibition, they are grand children of the later Secy. Stanton.

Mr F. B. McGuire came & reported having seen Mr Corcoran who is not in good spirits.

Dr Colburn called.

Mr Matthews called & took away his flower-piece.

V. 320 C. 24 $6.00 P. 2 $1.50

May 14

Sabbath. Steady rain all day & night.

May 15

Monday. Bright & breezy, though the sky looks uncertain in spite of the Signal Service promise of clear weather. Rain late in the evening!

Miss Williams sends certificate of authenticity of Morettis Roman Views.

Letter from Miss Mary E. Williams, artist, Rome, enclosing certificates ~~that~~ from Antonio Moretti that he painted in 1853 the pictures of "St. Peters, & of "Roman Forum ^in this gallery^ about 1853, and from "Isabella Barberi" daughter of the gentleman for whom they were painted, confirming the artist's assertion.

Letter from Mr Bierstadt stating that the artotype of Garfield was sent, but he would send another to the gallery if it was desirable. He enclosed a letter from his brother who printed it in reference to an illustrated catalogue, in which he says he will print at the rate of $30, per 1000 ~~pages~~ copies of one page the cost of negatives extra-or at the rate of one dollar each.

Meeting of the Art Committee Mr Corcoran's condition

Art Committee met at 1 p.m. Present Mr Clark & F.B. McGuire. Mr Kauffmann is out of town.
Dr Welling this morning stated that he felt alarmed about Mr Corcoran's condition (he is still in bed) but Mr McGuire thinks he is not so ill, though he says he is not so well as on yesterday.

Proceedings of the past two meetings were read & approved.

The committee at once authorized the Curator to purchase a copy of the illustrated catalogue of the Hamilton Palace, one guinea.

Mr Pennington's letter to Mr Corcoran from Paris was read, & also Mr Avery's to Mr McGuire in relation to the Poacher's Death by C. Hubner. The following letters to the Curator were read.

1. From Mr Bond giving titles of the Phelps' pictures. 2d. From S.H. Parker about "St. Sebastian. The Committee ordered the freight bill he sent to Mr Parker.
3d. From Miss Williams - & ↑4↓ from Mr Bierstadt. No action on either.

Mrs Ward's copy of "Lost Dogs" was passed,& the copies of Cupid by Mooney & of Child & Nurse by Miss Lambard returned for improvement in a hand of each.
The "St Sebastian," Von Hillern's landscape & Andrews pair of children, allowed to be exhibited in the gallery.

By resolution the Curator was authorized to sign the order for a copy of Marshall's print of H.W. Longfellow.

Proceedings of the Art Committee

A letter to the Committee was received from H. Heine artist near Dresden through Major Curtis, asking permission to store here a box of ten small pictures, & another containing a panorama 6 ft x 1 ft. & a copy of "Japan" a large work. Permission was granted.

Mr Buzac called with the address of Mrs Meikleham, granddaughter of Thos Jefferson, 1323 West 35. st Georgetown, who has a bust of Genl. Jackson for sale. Its nose is broken. Told him that Mrs M. ought to address the Art Committee about it.

Ulke's Portrait of Gen Grant.

Mr Ulke sent up the portrait Genl. Grant ordered by Mr Corcoran. It is like him, but of common execution.

Guillaume's Comre Maury

Mr Guillaume sent up a portrait (kit-kat) of Commodore Maury, & an old repaired of Mrs Lucy Lee Carter. Mr Corcoran sent word to keep them here turned to the wall for a while. No one present recognized the former. Finally it was believed to be of Com. Morris, where I suddenly remembered Guillaume telling he was painting the former. It is cold, frosty & at the same painty in the color of cheeks.

Mr Andrews called, & declined to improve the cat in one of his pictures.
Hung them in S.E. Gallery.
Miss Luke Eustis (Mr Corcoran's granddaughter) called to see "St. Sebastian".
Wrote to Mr Parker enclosing bill for frt. on his picture $16.15.
Mr Barlow sent for & got Mrs Wagner's Garfield.
V. 57 + 6 $14.25 C. 6 $1.50 P. 4 $2.50

May 16

Rain last night, & though little fell to-day, the sky is overcast and betokens more. Our hope is in the moon which changes tomorrow.

Mr Corcoran better

Mr Corcoran is reported better.
Letter from Mrs Mayhen Huntsville, Ala, enclosing 9 cts for catalogue. Sent it & requested balance 19 cts to be remitted.

Mr W. E. Bond N.Y. writes he does not know names of the portraits in Phelps collection, but is sure they not of the family. Returned Rules signed.
Mr Clark requested to write to the Prest. of Society of Civil Engineers, an acknowledgment of their invitation to the Trustees to attend their meetings, & invite them to visit the Gallery anyday. Did so.

$16.15 on St. Sebastian repaid

Adams Express man called & paid $16.15 cts on Parker's picture.

Wrote to Mr Heine, Dresden, that the Art Committee granted his request to place his pictures &c in this cellar. Gave letter to Maj. Curtis.

Mr J.C. McGuire, Mr & Mrs F.B. McGuire & Mrs. Wallach called.

Mr McDonald, sculptor, with ladies called. He told me that there was a bill before Congress for the erection of statues to Henry Clay & Daniel Webster, & that I was one of the Commission to select the artist! The first I have heard of it.

Mr Hyde sent a letter from Senator Beck enclosing a letter to him from Mr J.T. Johnston Lexington, in relation to a portrait of Henry Clay in early life by Jouett, costing $300, which Mr Beck affirms is genuine.
V. 385 C. 42 $10.50 P. 6 $4.50

May 17

Bright and pleasantly warm at last. The wet spell lasted ten days-with an interval of one day's sunshine a week ago.
Mr Corcoran still in bed.
Acknowledgment from Mr John Bogart Secy of Amer. Socy. C. Engrs. of the invitation for it to visit the Gallery.

Mr McElroy sent up bill $14.75 for framing portrait of Gen Grant.

Ordered 1500 additional catalogues from Gibson.

Wrote to Photo Engraving Co. N.Y. for cost of printing illustrations for a catalogue.

Order given for Longfellow's engd. portrait

Mr Saunders called & received my order for No. 250 of Marshall's Engraved Portrait of H. W. Longfellow.

V. 98 + 8 $24.50 C. 13 $3.25

May 18

Thursday. Bright & sunny, but the temperature is cool enough for fire.

Mr Hyde brought up & read a confidential letter to him from a brother of the late Commissioner Bryan, stating that Mr Le Clear, artist, had said he had received from this ~~office~~ Gallery an order for a kit-kat portrait of Gen. Grant for $5,000. Told Mr Hyde, that so far as I knew, the assertion is false.

Mr Corcoran not so well

Mr Hyde reports Mr Corcoran as still in bed, not so well.

Wrote to B.F. Stevens, London, England for copy of Hamilton Palace ^collection of pictures, Catalogue.^

Sent to Mr Corcoran May no. of Art Amateur containing Mr Kauffman's note in answer to an article in April no. intimating that "timidity" prevented this Gallery from buying Regnault's "Horses of Achilles".

Mr Andrews' nearly full length portrait of Garfield arrived from the west to-day.
Had to leave at 2 p.m. from indisposition.
V. 500 C. 28 $7.00

May 19.

Cloudy & damp in early morning – brighter in the course of the day.

Letter from the Photo-Engraving Co. N.Y. Think they can give us what we want for an illustrated Catalogue. One of the firm will be in this city in a week or 10 days but if ^we^ want information sooner, will send it by mail. Replied, inviting them to send information.

Mr F. B. McGuire called.

Mr Corcoran better.

Mr Corcoran is reported much better.

V. 86 + 1 $21.50 C. 14 $3.50

May 20

Bright & warm & genial. Neither overcoat nor fire.

Mr Corcoran's condition. I call upon Mr Corcoran while ill in bed.

Mr Corcoran sending for me, found him still in bed, but not looking so ill as I expected – but evidently weak – He is not disposed to get up. He talks pleasantly, but there is a peculiar softness in his voice & manner – as of a veteran that is calm under his confinement, & resigned to whatever may ~~be~~ result from this attack. He asked several questions about the gallery-matters, the new pictures, and wished me to instruct Mr Darrell to admit Mrs Pegram & the Ladies of the Home School to the Gallery, anytime after 4 p.m. His 14th day's confinement to his bed.
A note came from Dr Welling to me requesting me to arrange for the admission of the above ladies.

Mr Corcoran consents to hang at once "St Sebastian" in the Gallery.

V. 520 V. 32 $8.00 P. 5 $3.75

May 22

Monday. Mild & cloudy with signs of rain from South. Yesterday was very hot & sultry.
No fires nor overcoats.

Notice from Mr Rhees that the last Annual "Report of the Smithsonian Institution" has been sent to us. Also notice from P.O. Dept.

Letter from Mrs Mayhen, Ala, containing 19cts in stamps due for catalogue, & complimenting me about it. Acknowledged it.

Package of catalogues from Dresden of pictures in the "Museum Ludwig Salvator" to be sold.
Also from Italy a printed notice of an Ever-moist clay for modelling.

Mr Schawrz of an importing house in N.Y. called and left a written application for leave to engrave in mezzotint, on a large scale, some of our choice pictures, such as "Heir Presumptive"- To take 2 years, at an expense $4,000.

On Saturday at 4 p.m. Mr Cary & teachers & forty young ladies of her school were admitted to the Gallery where they remained until 5 o'clock- highly delighted.

Visit to Mr Corcoran's sick room. He is very ill.

By request of Mr Corcoran I went to see him after the Gallery closed. He was dressed & in the act of riding from his bed when I entered, and when he lay down again he expressed himself as very much exhausted, and said quite despondingly that he never expected to be at the Gallery again. he is very weak, and says his cough still holds on. Miss Jones (his niece) told me his appetite had failed him which is unfavorable. I advised her to coax him to take oatmeal in the morning.

V. 66 + 4 $16.50 C. 11 $2.75 P. 5 $3.75

Meeting of the Art Committee

At 1 p.m. The Art Committee met. Mr Clark & Mr F.B. McGuire present – Mr Kauffmann is still out of town.
Curator was directed to acknowledge Senator Beck's letter, & state that the Gallery having 3 portraits of Mr Clay, decline buying another.
The Committee decided to refer the subject of the Moretti Roman Views to the Board of Trustees.
Mr Moody's "Cupid & Miss Lombard's, "Child & Nurse" & Miss Holman's "Moonrise in Winter" were passed. Committee to let Miss Lombard copy "Corday" at present. Mr Schwartz was allowed to mezzotint "Vestal Tuccia" &

Mr Corcoran

Mr Corcoran no better.

May 23

Bright cool & very breezy, after last night's heavy rain & wind.

Rehung the Presidential Portraits by lifting them higher in the E. side gallery. Placed Gen & Mrs Washington & John Adams at the south end. Genl. W. over the door, and the others in compact order around the west wall & over the north door. Will hang other pictures to-morrow.
Mr Corcoran is about the same – no better & in bed.
Judge French called, & spoke highly of one of the Meade pictures of St Matthew in Georgetown, must go & see it.

Mrs Davidson called to see me about some things of Mr McDonald, sculptor. They are photos. of a statue of Somnambula in clay (for which he wishes an order in marble) & a bust of Garfield, also to be cut for this gallery in marble or made in bronze. Requested Mrs D. to tell Mr McD. to write out his propositions addressed to the Art Committee.

Judge Loring called by request of Dr Welling to see our photo of "Hermes" which he admires much, as well as the cast itself. He is versed in Greek sculpture, & tells me that a

new work by ^a Mrs^ Sperry gives a full account of these explorations in Olympiar & mentioned it was recently asserted that the "Laocoon" is not an original work, but made up ^of^ material in a frieze.

Wrote to Mr Schwartz through Mr Hodgkins that the Art Committee agreed ^to his request^.
V. 415 C. 27 $6.75 P. 5 $3.75

May 24

Bright, cool with some breeze. Ther. 69˚. at 11.a.m.

Letter from Photo-Engraving Co. one of them will be here this week.

Letter from C.W. Deschamps London. He says Mr Tadema has not yet commenced either of the two pictures he spoke of in last letter.

Letter from J. Jay Barber Columbus O. stating he had a landscape with cattle (lately in the N.Y. Academy's Exhibition) which he wishes to send to this gallery. It is 30 x 50. Also enclosed a newspaper editorial notice of it.

Saw Mr McGuire, Mr Kauffmann not yet returned. He thinks the Presidential portraits are too near each other. Put the rest of the catalogue in Gibson's hands.

Mr Corcoran still in bed

Mr Corcoran is reported by Dr Tyler as about the same in health, though very despondent. His stomach is sluggish- no relish for food.

Mr Andrews wants his children in E. gallery, but Mr McGuire objects.

Commander Crowninshield sent for & got his "Magdalen & Nativity

Members of "St George's Society" came in without charge.

Mr Hedgman has leave of absence for a week to prepare for examination in law.

Took all of the large Phelps pictures into the E. Gallery.
V. 65 + 68 $16.25 C 4 $1.00 P. 5 $3.75
Another section of Art Treasures delivered here.

May 25

Heavy rains last night & this morning, & more in prospect.

Mr Douglas & Mrs Curtis of N.Y. came to inquire about the history of the "Virgin & Child attributed to Murillo". Her husband is getting up a catalogue of Murillo's pictures in American. Told her it was sold at Mr Corcoran by a Mr or Col. Maynardier.

Wrote to Bierstadt, artist in reference to his brother's propositions for illustrations of our catalogue.

Finished hanging pictures - & sent to McElroy for new nos.

Mr Corcoran

Mr Corcoran is reported not so well to-day.

V. 350 C. 18 $4.50 P. 7 $6.50

May 26

Bright and still cool though pleasant.

Rehung the Presidential portraits, & placed five of them on the east side. They appear much better.

Mr Corcoran's condition

Mr Corcoran is better to-day, having had a good night's rest. Dr Tyler staid with him last night.
Two years to-day since Dr Hall's last visit to the gallery.
Wrote to Senator Beck the Art Committee's declension of the purchase of Jouett's portrait of Henry Clay, offered for sale by Mr Johnston.

Mr Solomons sent for & obtained the photo & letter he left here weeks ago.
V. 72 + 7 $18.00 C. 7 $1.75 P. 2 $1.50

May 27.

Saturday. Bright but still cool & damp.
Winter clothing very comfortable.

Mr Corcoran's condition is still the same.

Mr Corcoran is reported by Mr Hyde as about the same. He is still in bed, & does not get up at all. We feel apprehensive that he will not recover from this attack. His appetite has failed him, & his extreme age (83 ½ years) lessens his chance very much. Still, his vigorous constitution may yet save him some years longer.

Mr Hyde brought a package sent to Mr Corcoran from Mrs. L.M. Benham, San Francisco, enclosing a catalogue & 11 photos of pictures owned by A. S. Ludlow, Ludlow Ky. which he wishes to sell. They are all old pictures. A landscape by Zuecarelli & a portrait of Simon, appear to be fine things. He wants $25,000 for the collection. Mr Hyde answered the letter accompanying them which he retains.

Mr. ^F.A.^ McGuire, Capts. Crowninshield & Nickerson came in. Capt. C. rec'd the ^receipted^ bill for boxing his pictures, & went to pay it but said Williams was not to be found. He took the bill away.

Application from Mrs Benedict, Chicago with specimens to copy "Drove at the Ford".
Mr C. B. Maury examined commodore Maury's portrait and thinks it a good portrait.

Mr Hart of the firm of Photo Engraving Co. N.Y. called, & shewed specimens. Full page finished engraving for catalogues $40 – half-page $25, & ranging down to $10. for outlines. He will send specimens from N.Y. on his return.
Rec'd from Smithsonian Institution Annual Report.
V. 400 C. 24 $6.00 P. 8 $6.25

May 29.

Monday. Bright breezy & pleasant.

Mr Corcoran better.

Mr Corcoran was reported early this morning as much better.

Rec'd bill for price of Longfellow's portrait $100. and soon after the box containing it arrived, with certificate & copy of the destroyed.

Mr Andrews' portrait of Garfield taken away to be exhibited tomorrow at the "Star" office.

Letter from Mrs. Mayhew Ala. enclosing 28cts in stamps for another catalogue, and asking information about one of the figures on the East Pediment of the Parthenon- also stating that she sent for the first copy of catalogue on the recommendation of a friend who had studied art in Italy & France. This of course is very gratifying to me.

Ordered 50 12 x 16 single figure "Vestals" from Rice & as many "Cordays" –if he has not the order already.
Received from him five Pastoral Visits 18 x 22, & 24 ~~Cordays~~ "S. T. Vestals^ 12 x 16, & 4 "Cordays" 12 x 16.

Rec'd from E. Bierstadt N.Y. another artotype of Garfield.

The Art Committee met 1.p.m. Present Messrs Kauffmann Clark & Kauffmann.

Mrs. Ludlow's catalogue of pictures & 11 photos of them were considered, & will be referred to in the summary of the Quarter's proceedings of the Committee, to be read to the Trustees on June 12.

McDonald proposes original bust of Washington by Houdon

Mr McDonald's propositions to sell the Houdon's original mould of Washington, & to a bust of Garfield &c was read & the Curator directed to reply that the Committee was not prepared to act upon them.

Curator was directed to acknowledge Mr Deschamp's letter, & also to decline receiving Mr Barber's picture now as all the choice space of our walls were needed for important pictures now here & are coming.

Mrs Benedict's letter & samples of painting were considered, & the Curator directed to inform her, that her specimens did not show whether she could copy the "Drove at the Ford", & suggest that a copy of some smaller picture of an animal would convey an estimate of her skill. I told her so, but she is undecided.

Mr Matthews came in & it is decided that the Gallery be closed tomorrow. Good!

Mr Hyde came in at 2 p.m. & stated that Mr Corcoran is not so well as in the morning. He seems discouraged about him.

The Building Committee authorized the closing of the Gallery to-morrow.
V. 116 + 7 $29.00 C. 17 $4.25 P 1 75cts

May 30

Decoration Day. Holiday. Bright & genial weather. Mr Corcoran is reported no better. Came to the Gallery & worked at my unfinished copies of C. Corday & group from St John's Eve, which being of the size of the originals, & began before the new rule of lessening the size of copies. I am permitted to finish by the Art Committee. Worked from 9 a.m. to 4 ½ p.m. with an interval for lunch.

Letter from W.T. Walters Balt. enclosing a note from Mr H. Adreon, Postmaster of that city, commending to him an accompanying letter from Wm. Ward Wight, 102 Wisconsin St Milwaukee, requesting that some "art-loving citizens" of that city, be in charge of an incorporated Society, request a copy of the catalogue, constitution, articles of incorporation and By-Laws, of the Institution of Art. Mr Walters requests me to comply with the request.

Rec'd a large package of Mss. from Miss Ferguson, & a letter. This is the work in eleucidation of the genius of Antoine Wiertz.

May 31.

Wednesday. Bright and very pleasant.

Mr Corcoran better

Mr Corcoran is reported much better this morning.

Another letter from Miss Ferguson, in reference to the transmission of her Mss. & a note from R.A. Kean, Irwin, about the package & requesting a notice of its safe arrival. Sent postal, & said I would write to Mrs F. to-morrow.

Sent catalogue & By-laws to Mr Wright, Milwaukie, with postal, and notified Mr Walters of Balt. I had done so.

Card from Miss Tunstall, rather surprised Mr Corcoran had shewn Ezekiel's letter to me. She has gone to Richmond with her mother.

Mrs. Davidson called to learn result of Mr McDonald's application by the Art Committee. Told her, & gave her the photos of Fitz-Greene Halleck & Garfield – leaving those of "Somnambula" and Washington Irving here. Wrote to Mr McDonald an official notice of the Committee's reply.

Mr Andrews' portrait of Prest. Garfield brought back & re-hung in East Gallery.

Mr Flaherty brought his bill for repairing roof, over $700. Mr Hyde came in & inquired as to how the authority was given for repairs. It had been left to Mr Clark.

Got Mr Taylor to repair wardrobe, the lock of which had been forced – I always keeping the key.

V. 76 $19.00 C 8 $2.00 P. 3 $2.00

June 1.

Thursday. Very heavy sultry rains last night & this morning. Three small leaks on the M. Gallery floor from <u>outer</u> skylights.

Mr Corcoran's <u>condition</u>-

Mr Corcoran is reported about the same, & still in bed. This is his <u>25</u>th day if illness in bed.

In the afternoon he had improved very much, and was able to sit up. This is encouraging.

V. 300 C. 15 $3.75 P. 1 75cts

June 2.

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Rec'd from Photo-engraving Co. N.Y. a package of beautiful samples of that process, in various styles.

Mr Taylor has repaired the wardrobe, & I have placed my pictures in it.

Mr McGuire (F.B. McGuire) called, & while Mr McElroy was here about a frame for the "Longfellow" portrait, he opposed covering any part of the print, & Mr Kauffmann agreeing with him. Mr McE. is to frame it as it is for $10.00.

Mrs Barlow sent for Mrs. Fassett's "Garfield" & got it.

Mrs. Benedict brought in her copy of the "Bull-Dog," & is allowed to copy "Drove at the Ford", on authority of Mr McGuire.

Dr Welling brought a letter to him from Commissioner Dent transmitting to the Trustees the gift of 4 vols of illustrations of the "Fol" Museum of Art, Geneva & other books, from the municipal authorities of that city. I acknowledged it in a letter to Mr Dent.

Mr Corcoran on a sofa

Dr. Welling reports ↑Mr Corcoran↓ as up on a sofa, though he (Mr C.) says he does not relish food. Mr Von Arx of Lithotype Printing Co. N.Y. called with specimens of their process of making prints – like heliotypes – He will furnish them to our Catalogue for 4 cts apiece. I gave photos. of Louis XI Costume" & "Drove at the Ford" to show us sample of their work.

Wrote to C. W. Deschamps, London, England.
Mr Heade artist, called & will send for exhibition 2 pictures.
Mr Goode of the "National Museum" called for catalogue & By Laws for an Art-Association in Springfield Mass. & also gave him the "Public School Report", with my address.

V. 85 + 15 $21.25 C. 11 $2.75 P. 4 $2.75

June 3.

Cloudy & mild with signs of rain.

Mr Corcoran better.

Mr Corcoran is reported better to-day.

Letter from J.J. Barber in reference to his new picture. Hopes we will have space for it, and refers to Mr Brenner for its merits.
Mr

Dr. D. Tompkins portrait

Note from Henry Widmeyer, 58, Bowery, corner of Canal St. N.Y. ^P.O. Box 3521^ asking if the portrait of D.D. Tompkins, is still here, & what would be the best figure you (we) would give for it?" replies that the Art Committee had declined making an offer for it, in reply to an inquiry from its owner, & that it is still here.

Heade's pictures

Heade, artist sent up his large painting of a scene of the Californian Coast, & a small flower & shell picture – both very good.

Wrote to Mrs Mayhem about the East Pediment of the Parthenon and sent photos of "Hermes" & "Vestal" (figure) & sterreo of "Two Fates".

Wrote to Miss Ferguson Va. about her Mss.

Mr Clark Mills called. Talked about the subject of Houdon's cast of Washington, Mr Custis' Reminiscences of it, & shewed a cast of a section of the dried esophagus of a ^dried^ whale now exhibited here.

V. 360 C. 21 $5.25 P. 3 $3.50

June 5

Monday. Bright with fresh northwest wind – quite cool.

Mr Corcoran's condition

Mr Corcoran about the same. Hopes to ride out to-day, if warmer. Last week he was for the first time taken down stairs, but was soon carried back to his chamber.

Mr Jouy brought photos of "Lost Dogs" – accepted – 2 declined.

Mr McDonald called & conversed long about the original Houdon bust ^of Washington^.

Mrs. Colburn sent up for exhibition her portrait of Hon. W.E. Robinson N.Y.

Mrs. Benedict began her copy of "Drove at the Ford".

The Art Committee did not have a quorum. Mr Clark being the only member present.
I read the proceedings of the last meeting which were approved. Also the sketch of the quarterly report of proceedings for the Trustees, which he amended, but advised not to copy it until the next meeting.
I shewed Mr C. Mr Walters' endorsements upon Miss Williams' letter about the Moretti pictures.

Miss Simmons' picture – copy of Niagara, which she was told could not be removed from the Gallery until improved & approved, could not be found in the Ladies Wash-room, where it should have been left when she went away: but a stretcher from which a canvas had been striped took the printing from it, & smuggled it out of the gallery in a rolled up shape. If this be so, the penalty will be a loss of the privilege of further copying here, per final clause in the "Rules for Copyists."

Mr Clark authorized that Mrs Lombard's copy of "Corday" be passed.

Mr Guillaume wants his Comdore. Maury portrait in a different light.

Three shipwrecked (so claimed) arab sailors in fez, Turkish trousers, but american sacks, came in asking for charity, They all spoke English, & had a written but unsigned appeal for aid. I allowed them to go throw the Gallery.
V. 64 $16.00 C. 7 $1.75 P. 1 75cts

June 6

Tuesday.
Bright, breezy & pleasantly warm, yesterday after noon & last night were cold enough for an overcoat.

Mr Corcoran's condition

Mr Corcoran is reported about the same Mr Tyler told me that yesterday he was a very sick man. Today more comfortable.

Miss Eustis & Mrs. George called.

Letter from Miss M.L. Wagner, Rochester N.Y. wishing to know why on her portrait of Garfield, the card stated her age to be 73, whereas she is only 60! I explained that some unknown friend of hers here, stated it to be so.

Note from A.W. Drake, "Century Magazine", asking for a copy of the photo of the "Ghiberti Gate." Sent it with photo.

Mr McElroy brought the framed for "Longfellow" & hung it in the Trustees Room. It looks very well.

Understanding Mr Hedgman has passed his examination in law, I suggested to Mr Hyde that when he resigned his place as Deputy, that a middle-aged man be selected as his successor, as these young men are not reliable as watchful keepers of galleries.

Genl C.B. Norton called.

V. 360 C. 28 $7.00 P. ^2^ $1.50

June 7.

Mild, happy, but with much of the west wind that has chilled the air for many days past.

Mr Corcoran's condition.

Mr Corcoran is reported better this morning.

To-day is the ~~A~~ 2d. Anniversary of Dr Hall's death.

Hung Mr Heade's pictures in south-east & east galleries, also Mrs. Colburn's portrait of W. E. Robinson N.Y.

Recd new edition of Catalogue 33d.

Rec'd 50 copies of new edition (33d- in all 70,000 copies) from Gibson Bros.

Miss Robinson from Mr Corcoran's called for the "Century" magazine. I ~~h~~ sent home for it & got it. Misses Robinson represents Mr Corcoran as still troubled with pain in his chest. He is comfortable this morning but still very feeble. His breakfast was a table-spoonful of beef-tea, & the yolks of two eggs. Evident proof of the weakness of ~~the~~ his stomach.

A Mr Jenkins, an old miniature painter, brought a miniature of Mr Corcoran from a photo by Dillon, for which he wants $200.

Mr Hedgman intimates that he intends to retain his position here until next spring.

V. 95 + 7 $23.75 C. 8 $2.00 P. 2 $1.25

June 8.

Thursday.

Bright and pleasantly warm – like summer.

Mr Corcoran's condition much improved.

Mr Corcoran is reported much better, & by his sending here for some letters, I infer that his mind's active interest in business matters, argues material improvement in his body.

Vice Prest. Tompkins portrait.

Letter from H. Widmeyer N.Y. asking for "positive information," about the present location of Vice Prest Tompkins' portrait, as Mr Gordon assured him it was taken by him to the U. S. Senate. Replied that it was still here.

A large Editorial excursion party from Pa. visited the gallery to-day.
14 catalogues of 32d. edition – closes its issue.

New edition of catalogue issued

The new edition of the Catalogue issued to the public to-day and numbers are attached to new pictures, & some transposed.
Mr Hyde brought two letters from Mr Ezekiel & Mr Pennington to Mr Corcoran, which I am to acknowledge. Mr E's health is better. He is in Paris modelling portrait busts, and is in good spirits. He will return in a few weeks to Rome. He says nothing of my letter, nor does he allude to the next two statues for this gallery. Mr Pennington speaks of having missed a chance of getting one of Sargent's finest pictures (a Spanish gipsy) for $2000, it having been sold just ~~after~~ before he got Mr Corcoran's letter expressing a wish to have one of Sargent's pictures.

Mr. McElroy called with samples of heavy moulding, for new frame to Mengs' Adoration ↑$150.↓ & "Edges of the Forest".
V. 415 C. 17 $4.25 P. 1 50cts
3 copies of new catalogue sold today.

June 9.

Friday.
Bright & much warmer – Summer is here at last.

Mr Corcoran's reported better

How I found him at 4.p.m. yesterday

Mr Corcoran is reported by his servant as "better" this morning. These answers are doubtful. Yesterday at 4 p.m. I called to see him at his request. I was told by the servant that he was sitting-up, but I found him lying in bed, and showing a change for the worse. I was not prepared for, though it was 17 days since I last saw him. His eyes were dull, &

looked as if he hardly noticed me, & as I sat down by him, he did not speak, nor turn his head, as he quietly extended his hand to me. On my expressing my regret to see him still in bed, he simply with a sigh said, "five weeks"! After remaining silent for a while he referred to Mr Pennington's letter received yesterday, & expressed ^regret^ that Mr P. was too late to secure Mr Sargent's picture. He then inquired about what had been done with Guillaume's portrait of Commodore Maury – the subject for which he had sent for me. He was satisfied with its disposition, & pleased to hear all of Maury's relatives liked it very much. It was evident that his mind was perfectly clear, & it was a notable proof of his kind heart, to show at such a time his interest in Guillaume's work. On asking if he was relieved of all pain or trouble in his chest, he pointed to his cup in which he expectorates, and I saw much mucas red with blood – a very serious symptom, in my judgment. When ^I^ left him, he quietly extended his hand again, but said nothing. I left the house with the full conviction that he will not recover!

Present of Vols from Archeological Institute.

Postal card acknowledging receipt of "Ghiberti Gate", by the "Century".
Present of 2 vols of explorations at Assos. by the Archeological Institute of America.
Card of invitation to attend night exhibition of pupils of Maryland Institute School of Design, this evening in Baltimore.

Mr Clarke Mills brought me his written recollections of an account ~~to~~ to him by G.W.O. Custis, of Houdon's method of taking a cast of Washington.

J. Mann finished removing ashes from cellar, 45 loads, $12.00.

Sent two dollars mo. subsn. to English Periodicals to Tice & Lynch N.Y.

The "Post" to-day states that Dr Tyler has no doubt of Mr Corcoran's final & speedy recovery. Pray Heaven it prove so! but I doubt it.

V. 78 + 5 $19.50 C. 12 $3.00 P. 1 75cts

June 10

Bright & warm – sultry. Last night very hot.

Mr Corcoran is reported the same as yesterday.

An interesting letter from Mr Mayhew Huntsville, acknowledging the photos.

A postal from Mr Kurtz N.Y. sending a catalogue of the Loan Exhibition of Metropolitan Museum.

Mr Hayden, Intr. Dept. left a lot of rare old prints. Among them a number by John Elias Ridinger ^1695-1769^ of hunting-scenes, described in German & French, Price $10-.
Letter from Ezekiel with a new drawing of the design for the Pediment in which he suggests a gilt back-ground.
Went to the Congressional Library, to hunt up matter connected with Houdon's bust of Washington.
52 packages of catalogues (1100 copies) rec'd from Gibson Bros.
V. 300 C. 23 $5.75 P. 1 75cts.

June 12

Monday.
Cool morning with vapory atmosphere.

Mr Corcoran's condition

Mr Corcoran is reported to-day as not so well as yesterday being very despondent & feeble. I called there & brought away Mr Ezekiel's letter to me, the drawing for the pediment of the building, and the "Century" magazine.

Rec'd from Tice & Lynch N.Y. receipt for $3.00.

Mr Haden brought a letter offering his 63 old prints to the Gallery for $10.00.

Meeting of the Art Committee

The Art Committee met at 11 a.m. Messrs. Kauffmann and Clarke present. Mr McGuire absent from illness.

The Curator read the Summary of the proceedings of the Committee since Apl 10. which was approved.

The letters from Mr Pennington to Mr Corcoran, & from Mr Ezekiel to Mr C. and the Curator were read, & the Curator directed to answer them; & also to send to Mr Ezekiel measurements of the pediment & caps of the columns for which he is to send designs in correct proportions.

Purchase of Mr Hayden's Prints.

Mr Hayden's lot of rare old prints were bought for $10.00 (He called afterwards & took his bill for amt. to Mr Hyde).

Mr Jenkins' miniature of Mr Corcoran for $200. was declined.

The Committee agreed upon having the proposed illustrations of the Catalogue made by the Photo-Printing Co. N.Y. & would ask proper authority from the Board of Trustees.

The 2 vols. of Reports by the Archeological Institute of America were presented to the Committee, as a gift from that association theory to its Executive Committee, & the Curator directed to acknowledge it.

Miss Hartwell's charcoal drawings of the Apoxyomenos was exhibited and admired.

The purchase of Mr Heade's "California Coast", was declined.

Meeting of the Board

The Board of Trustees met at 12 m.
Present all the members save Messrs. Walters & ^F.B.^ McGuire.

Authority to have Illustd. Catalogue

Mr Kauffmann read his Report of the Art Committee operations since Apl 10, last meeting of the Board approved & accepted. This & all other reports to the Board, are ordered to be entered on the Journal (In adopting this Report, it is understood that the authority to execute the plan for an illustrated Catalogue, asked for, is granted.

Contingent Fund

It was ordered that $100. be paid to the Contingent Fund when present sum in exhausted.

Mr Kauffmann reported that owing to Mr Corcoran's illness & absences the Art Committee would ask for further time to report the plan of securing works of Art for the gallery, &c as ordered by the Board at its last meeting, & which plan was ready for presentation. Leave granted.

Mr Ezekiel's letters & drawing for the group in the pediment were read, and ^Mr Clark moved that^ the whole subject was referred to Mr E. for him & make careful drawings of that group, & of designs for the caps of the columns, with an estimate of cost of same. Mr McGuire moved to lay the subject on the table, Lost, & ~~on~~ motion then adopted.

Miss Williams' letter & the certificates were read, & on motion of Mr Clark ~~the~~ $1000 was ordered to be paid for the two pictures of "Ruins of the Forum", and "Piazza of St. Peters", Rome by A. Moretti.

Mrs. Benham's package of photos of old pictures & catalogues, belonging to Mr Ludlow, & sent to Mr Corcoran, was laid on the table, without action, and Mr Pennington's letter to Mr Corcoran about a picture by Sargent, was read. (The Curator will acknowledge it).

On mention of Mr McGuire, the "Gallery is to be closed during August in such parts as needed repair, or other works, & when any part is closed, no charge is to be made for admission to other parts.

A strange deposit!

A pair of lady's drawers wet, was ~~found~~ left in a corne of the S. E. Gallery this afternoon – perhaps by one of the excursionists from Martinsburg, who were here in force.
V. 123 – 25 $30.75 C 5 $1.25 P. 1 75cts

N.B.T he Board omitted action upon a proposition to close the Gallery daily at 3 p.m. during July & August, but it is supposed that the Committee on the Building can order the change.

June 13

Bright and pleasant.

Mr Corcoran's condition

Mr Corcoran is represented better to-day, though Mr Hyde says he coughed incessantly all night.

Mr Hyde called to make some correction of the Board's proceedings.

Draft of 5112 50/" francs sent to Miss Williams

Rec'd three drafts from Mr Hyde for 5112 50/" francs the first of which I sent in a letter to Miss Mary E. Williams, care of Messrs Hooker & Co. Bankers, Rome Italy, in payment for the two paintings of "Ruins of the Roman Forum" & "the Piazza of St Peter's, Rome" by Antonio Moretti, 1853.

All the catalogues delivered

Recd 20 packages of Catalogues – 1000 copies – completes 2500.
Miss King & Miss Clark called about the latter copying in this Gallery.
The wet pair of feminine drawers was found in the gallery to-day.
V. 305 C. 15 $3.75 P. 1 75cts

June 14

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Mr Corcoran's condition.

Mr Hyde reports Mr Corcoran as not so well to-day. He complains much of pain in his chest, - a bad symptom.

Mr McElroy sent up a gilt number (5) for a picture. Paid 50cts.

Card from Mrs. Stanton sending for her pictures. Sent them.

Letter to Pennington & Mr Ezekiel

Wrote to Mr Pennington, Paris, acknowledging his letter to Mr Corcoran.
Wrote to Mr Ezekiel & sent measurements for his designs for Pediments.
J.C. McGuire called. Says his sow is better.
V. 61 + 8 $15.25 C. 12 $3.00

June 15

Thursday. Bright and much warmer.

Mr Corcoran's condition.

Mr Corcoran is reported better to-day, though it was stated yesterday he was "not so well." His condition appears variable.

Saw Rice about Mr Corcoran's photograph.

Wrote to postal to Mr Barber, & mentioned Picture Gallery to be closed in August.

Wrote to Miss Tunstall about Mr Ezekiel.

Mr McElroy brought estimate for new Florentine frames for the Moretti pictures, 6 in frame $85. for pair - $110 do, 7 inch.

V. 263 C 22 $5.50 P. 14 $9.95

June 16

Cloudy & sultry & hot – last night very hot. Summer is here.

Mr Corcoran is reported about the same.

Mr. Frank M. Pearson of Photo-Engraving Co N.Y. called. Told him we had decided upon employing that Co. to illustrate the Catalogue. Gave him a large Corday & small Vestal" to try then process, & to report to the Art Committee, on Monday week 26th.

V. 61 + 2 $15.25 C 3 75cts. P. 75cts

June 17

Saturday. Bright and very hot.

Mr Corcoran is reported as comfortable though very restless last night.

Examination of the cracked bust of Washington at Mt. Vernon.

Expected to meet Clark Mills here this morning to go with me to Mt. Vernon, to examine carefully what he insists (by authority of the last proprietor of Mt. V.) is the bust of Washington made by a German out of ordinary clay, and which he (Mills) was first allowed by Augustine Washington to make a cast, but which broke under the application of the wet plaster. Washington then allowed him to take a cast from the original cast by Houdon, that stood over the Library door on a bracket, ever since the Washington placed it there. This same cracked & split ^clay^ bust had the nose broken, & it has never been repaired. Mills thought it was of plaster at first, because it had been white-washed. H. K. Brown & Quincy Ward, both eminent sculptors, regard it as the original plaster cast by Houdon and it was to settle this question in my mind that induces me to examine the bust with Mr Mills.
After carefully studying it I am sure that it is the clay copy of the original. It is coarse and rough. Furthermore I am sure that Mr Wilson McDonald has in New York the original bust, for reasons I can't give now, but which someday will satisfy all. How Mr McDonald got it, is something yet to be revealed.

I was much disappointed in not meeting Mr Mills.

V. 247 C. 21 $5.25 P. 5 $4.00

June 19.

Monday.
Bright, & hot.

Have a severe catarrh caught on Saturday but only shewed itself last night.

Mr Corcoran lad a good night – he is about the same.

Letter from B. F. Stevens, London, enclosing bill for £2.19s. 10d. for 'Handbooks of the Kensington Museum of Art". The illustrated catalogue of Hamilton Palace Collection of Pictures, not issued when he wrote.

Mr F. B. McGuire, came in after 11 a.m. & remained until 12.15 m, he found he had mistaken the hour when the Art Committee & left, & did not return.

Mr Kauffmann came in at 1 p.m. & remained until 1 ½ p.m. when he also left. Mr Clarke did not appear so there was no meeting.

Mr Kauffmann said that if Mr Clark was willing for Mr Jenkins' miniature of Mr Corcoran, to be exhibited in the gallery, he would not object.

Mr Jenkins in the afternoon called & took the miniature away.

The symptoms of my catarrh became so severe that I had to go home & go to bed.

V. 36 $9.00 C. 4 $1.00 P. 3 75cts

June 20

Clear and cool.
Had a fever in head all night, & though some what relieved, suffer too much to venture out.

Mrs. Dorsey called about selling an engraved crystal vase, she will bring it for exhibition.
Mr J. C. McGuire called.

Genl. Norton called & asked if he could probably have the Tecumseh photographed this summer.

V. 293 C. 15 $3.75

June 21

Clear & cool.
Too ill yet to go to the Gallery.
Mr Corcoran rode out in his carriage with Dr Tyler. A marvellous reaction in his strength! He called at the Gallery (not leaving his carriage) & Dr Barbarin states that he looked like a wreck!

Mrs J. M. Vail wishes to copy, & will bring specimens.

Capt Van Zandt called for information about an old painting, said to be by Matsys.

Visitors 81 x 11 $20.25 C. 5 $1.25

June 22

Clean & hot. P.M. cloudy but no rain.

I am still too ill from this severe catarrh, to go out.

9 vols of Hand-books (Guides) to the S. Kensington Museum arrived to-day from England. Postage $1.25.

F.B. McGuire called with letter from Mr Avery about the picture he was was to have sent. Dr Barbarin by instruction wrote him that he need not send it before October.

Wrote to Dr B. requesting him to send 2d draft to Miss Williams, Rome.

Mr Jenkins brought back his miniature.

Mr Corcoran again rode out to-day.

V. 315 C. 15 $3.75 P. $3.00

June 23

Very hot.
Still too weak in head & limbs to go out.

Mr Guillaume called. Wishes to exhibit portrait in Gallery.

Mr Clark Mills called & corrected a misapprehension of his statement about taking a cast of Houdon's bust of Washington. The plaster cast ~~at Mt. Vernon~~ in the ^single^ case at Mt Vernon was taken by him from the clay bust, & not from the original which he subsequently brought away. The Clay bust so broken, is in the large case with other articles.

Mr Rice to see if he might place his own name & Mr. Corcoran's on the face of the photos. of the latter, ordered from him by the Gallery. I sent word to Dr Barbarin to tell him that as the negative of that photo was his own property, he had a right to place his name on its face, if he chose to claim it.

Mr Corcoran's improved condition.

Mr Corcoran did not ride out to-day.

V. 81 + 11 $20.25 C. 5 $1.25 P.

June 24

Hot but with some breeze.

Came to the gallery at 1 p.m. not entirely relieved from my catarrh, & feeling very weak.

Worked up my journal for the past week.

Mr Hyde came in & authorized the purchase of another water-cooler for the corridor.

Mr Corcoran improving.

Mr Hyde reports Mr Corcoran as slowly improving.

V. 325 C. 16 $4.00 P. 1 75cts

June 25

Sunday. The hottest day of the season, & and hotter at night.

June 26.

Monday. Still hot but after a light rain at 8 a.m. a refreshing breeze sprang up.

Found but little ice to day. Ordered fresh supply.

Mr Corcoran's condition

Mr Corcoran is reported by Miss Eustis as having passed a very restless night, but is better to-day.

The Art Committee met at 1. p. m. All the members present.
Mr Stevens' London letter & bill for the "Handbooks" were read the Curator was authorized to accept, & send bill to Mr Hyde.

Mr Hart of the Photo-Engraving Co. did not appear to-day with samples from our photos, and the Committee suggested that a conversation with Mr Baird about the best process for our illustrated catalogues, would be advisable, & the Curator was requested to see him on the subject tomorrow.

Mr McElroy's estimates for frames were considered. It was decided to get estimates from other dealers.

Mr Jenkins' applications to exhibit his miniature of Mr Corcoran in the gallery, was declined, inasmuch as in a few weeks the picture-gallery will be closed for some time. Mr J. called & being told this, took the picture away.

It was decided that as there is uncertainty about a full meeting or quorum of the Committee for the summer, one member will be present on the day of meeting & his decision will be sufficient on my matter brought before him.

Mrs Fleming's copy of the single figure of "Vestal Tuccia" was submitted for approval, & passed with commendation.

Mr Corcoran will leave the city for "Deer Park" this week.

Mr Andrews called, & wishes Mr Taylor to box & send to Boston his portrait of Garfield.

V. 34 + 9 $8.50 C. 2 50cts

June 27.

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Miss Johnston called & asked permission to place here a cast of Houdon's Washington (bust) made by Wilson McDonald, who claims to own the original. She is allowed to do so at her own risk, & will send it to-morrow.

Mrs. Dorsey called & took away the engraved goblet, & bottle, the Committee (through Mr Clark) having declined to purchase it.

Mr Corcoran still improving.

Mr Corcoran is reported much better to-day.

Mr Taylor came and boxed the "Garfield," which Knox will take to the Balt. & Pot. Rl. Rd. for Boston. It left before the Gallery closed.

V. 225 C. 11 $2.75 P. 8 $5.75

June 28

Fine shower early in the morning.
Mr Corcoran still improving.
Took application for leave of absence- to be taken occasionally between July 1st & October 15th.

Asst. Secy State Hunter presented to the Gallery a ~~vol~~. Catalogue of Works of Art from Byzantine period to Louis 16. of Ralph Bernal. Sold at auction Mch 5/55.

Received 10 more of the Handbook of the S. Kensington Museum from B. F. Stevens.
3d Draft sent to Miss Mary E. Williams, Rom, Italy.
V. 62 + 5 $15.50 C. 5 $1.25 P. 6 $4.25

June 29

Bright & pleasant.

Mr Corcoran improving more & more.

Was quite ill all night, & would not have come here to-day, but for the purpose of paying a bill, for which I drew my pay from Mr Hyde.

Letter from S. Keyser ^Balt^ asking when convenient to remove "Psyche". Answered that any day would suit between 9 a., & 3 p.m.

I understand Mr Rice charged $50 for 50 photos of Mr Corcoran – cabinet size. Wrote to him that Mr C. was vexed at the charge.

174 C. 11 $2.75 P. $1.25

June 30

Cloudy. Staid at home – too ill to go out.

Photos of Mr Corcoran & Corday 12 x 16 from Mr Rice.

6 goblets & 6 tumblers for Gallery use.

2 sections of "Gerome" rec'd with bill ($30.00) sent letter to Mr ~~Fishe~~ Hyde.

From Mr Jouy 14 Lost Dogs 12 x 16 – 3 Satyrs do.

Execution of Guiteau

Guiteau hung at 12 – p.m for murder of Prest. Garfield.

V. 48 + 12 $12.00 C. 1 25cts P. 2 $1.50

July 1.

Saturday. Very fresh wind & cloudy.

My catarrh & weakness still too great to venture out.

Rice sent up more photos, 22 18 x 22 P. Visits 12, 12 x 16 P. Visits – 21. 12 x 16 Vestal Figures. He writes that he saw Mr Corcoran & Mr Hyde at former's residence yesterday & had satisfactory arrangement with him about the photos. of Mr C. are to be 80 cts.

Dr Barbarin ordered 50 copies of Cabinet Corday from Mr Jouy.

Letter from Williams & Everett, Boston, stating they have for sale two miniature portraits on ivory of Gilbert Stuart & Daniel Webster by Miss Goodrich (1820-1848) & whose portrait of himself Stuart praised highly. If desirable will send them for approval to this Gallery.

Mr Hyde returned my application for leave for one month – chiefly from Octr 1. & other portions of it from time to time after July 1st.

Mr Corcoran & family left for Deer Park to-day. He is improving satisfactorily.

V. 293 C. 15 $3.75 P. 5 $2.75

July 2.

Sunday. Anniversary of Prest. Garfield's assassination.

July 3.

Monday. Bright & delightfully cool.

Came to the Gallery at 9 ½ a. m. relieved of catarrh, but very weak.

Card from Mrs. Geo. Vernon, Greenboro' N.C. asking price of one catalogue. Answered.

Mr Lemmon, bricklayer, called & stated that the Building Committee had ordered him to clean the front & 17th walls of the building, paint & cement the stonework, and line the brickwork.

Miss Johnston sent her cast of Washington's bust, by McDonald after Houdon's (claimed) original.

Sorted Rice's photos. & returned large P. Visit – 5 Vestals (single figure) & 1 12 x 16 P. Visit ~~Sent~~ with a note.

Mr Keyser, Balt. called to see about removing "Psyche".

V. 33 + 8 $8.25

July 4.

Holiday, and with a fearful storm of rain & wind, which made the air cold at night.

Came to the Gallery & left 12 ½ m. & feared the weather would be bad for my cold, the traces of which still linger.

July 5th.

Bright & a cold wind from n. west.
Feel a touch of rheumatism from the sudden change.

Mr Lemmon began work on outside of the buildings.

Sent bill for new water-cooler to Mr Hyde - $13.50.

Wrote to B. F. Stevens London, about ^the^ "Han^d^books", & asked price of Catalogue or Catalogues of the S. Kensington Museum.

Mrs. Simmons wished to take her unfinished "Magdalena River," with out examination, but I could not permit without power of Art Committee.

Mr Corcoran's photos, 42 accepted.

Returned to Mr Rice 34 Photos of Mr Corcoran, and accepted 42. The charge for them is 80cts. – sold for $1.00.

V. 63 + 5 $15.75 C. 2 .50cts P. 2 $1.50

July 6

Bright & very cool – last night cold. An extraordinary season.

Mr Lemmon reports that the stone cap above the columns in front of the building is broken so badly as to need renewal. He told Mr Hyde of it.

Miss Robinson tells me Mr Corcoran bore the journey to "Deer Park" very well, & is getting along very well.

Dr Barbarin left at 10 a.m.
V. 238 C. 19 $4.75

July 7

Bright & warmer.

Men painting & lining front of building.

Letter from David Bendann Balt. asking for a good copy of Charlotte Corday. Asked him the price to be given for it, & if he wanted it at once.

Had to leave the Gallery early, on account of indisposition.

V. 34 + 9 $8.50 C. 3 75cts P. 1 75cts

July 8

Bright and warm.

Took medicine last night, & had to remain at home all day.

Mrs Vail left specimens of chalk drawings – to draw from casts.

V. 154 C. 6 $1.50 P. 1 75cts

July 9.

Sunday. Bright and very warm – very hot.

July 10

Bright and hot.
At the gallery at 9.a. m. feeling much better but weak.
Art Committee did not meet today.
Mr Seagar (old friend) & daughter called.
Had intended to see Profr Baird, but it is too hot to venture out.
Letter from Mr. Ezekiel, Paris. Has rec'd my letter with measurements. Answered it.
Wrote to Mr Corcoran at "Deer Park" about it.
V. 24 $6.00

July 11

Warm, somewhat cloudy & with light breeze.

Went to the Capitol to see Mr Clark, & learned that he had been laid up for a week with bilious fever, & will probably not be out this week. I wish to get him to call & decide upon the three pictures of lady-copyists, who wish to go away.
Called to see Mr Kauffman about the examination of ladies copies. He is opposed to letting anything go unfinished from the Gallery. Will call or perhaps get Mr McGuire to call & look at them.

Got from him for filing ^letter^ from Miss Audubon to Profr Baird offering for $3000. to the Gallery her father's oil painting 6 ↑l↓ x 4 ↑ft w↓ painted before 1826, & exhibited in G. Britain. Profr Baird had sent the letter to Dr Welling who~~l~~ turned it over to the Art Committee, & now filed for future action. It is a painting of a turkey.
Letter from Miss Tunstall – on her birth-day. Answered it.

~~Wrote~~ Saw Profr Baird about "Illustrations to Catalogues". He thinks nothing can be done until the "Co." show specimens of our photos. He thinks theirs is about the best work. Have sent him estimate of the "Co" furnished to us.

The above visits to Profr. Baird & Mr Clarke were for Gallery work, and which from the heat of the previous day & my debility, I could not attend to them.
V. 200 C. 12 $3.00

July 12

Bright & hot.
Left this morning for the Shenandoah Valley to spend a few days.

Verbal message from Mr Clark to me to do as I pleased about the ladies' copies.

Mrs Benedick leaves her copy of "Drove at the Ford" expecting to return to finish it in the autumn.

List of the Smithsonian Publications sent to Profr. Baird.

Mr Pennell illustrator of the "Century" desires to make some sketches from the casts.
V. 50 + 1 $12.50 C. 5 $1.25 P. 2 $1.50

July 13.

Cloudy & pleasant.

Order from Pfell & Golz N.J. for photo of "Greek Slave," sent.

Mr Bradley prepares to box the "Psyche".

Mr Collin to be here tomorrow to mend the leg of "Deer".

Mrs Colegrove took her copy to finish.
Letter from Deschamps, London about a landscape by Danbigry.
V. 56 + 3 $14.00 C. 7 $1.75 P. 2 $1.25

July 15

Clear & pleasant.
Profr Humphreys, (Greek) Nashville, says dates on pedestal of Sophocles should be born 496 –Died 406.B.C. & not Born 406, Died 315 B. C." The professor is correct except that according to Anthon the dates are Born 495 – Died 405 B.C. an unaccountable blunder in me or the letterer.
Bradley boxed & removed the "Psyche".

Rec'd illustrated pamplet from Photo Engraving Co. for the Gallery.

Mr ~~Rinehart~~ Collin did not appear.
V. 245 C. 12 $3.00 P. 2 $1.25

July 17

Bright & agreeable.

Mrs Stillson finished copy of Mr. Corcoran.

Mr Collin began repair of leg of deer. Found the other one ~~we~~ had been badly repaired.
V. 36 + 6 $9.00 C. 4 $1.00

July 18

Bright & agreeable.

Mr Collin finished repairs of the Deer.

Mr Kauffmann called & passed Kauffmann's picture.

Mr Pearson agent of the Photo Eng. Co. brought proofs of :Corday" & of "Vestal". They were shown to Profr Baird & Kauffmann who consider them unfit for use.
Profr Baird suggests the following:
1. If the Catalogue be illustrated by P. E. Co. engage an an <u>artist</u> to <u>draw</u> each picture for illustration.
2. Let the P. E. Co sends its own artist to make the drawings subject to selection of the Gallery.
3. Ask Mr Drake of the "Century", if he can recommend such an artist.
4. As that Magazine is to have an article on the Gallery in Octr. we might obtain the use of the plates, on condition that due credit be given in the Catalogue for its use.
5. To have a portfolio of artotype illustrations for sale in the Gallery with the Catalogue.
He thinks Mr Drake should be written to at once.
V. 235 C. 7 $1.75

July 19

Clear & pleasant.
I returned to the city from my trip to Va, & called at the Gallery for letters. Owing to loss of sleep in my journey home, went home to breakfast & slept nearly all day.

Found Mr Darrell had forwarded to Gaylord, a foreign letter to me, though I had requested him to send nothing after Friday 14.

Mr Clarke called in his carriage at the door to sign Cassidy's leave of absence from 19 to 31st, which Mr Hyde sent him. He thinks Lemmon's work very poor, & called Mr

Hyde's attention to the stone work the color of which he has changed by some application.
V. 41 + 5 $10.25 C. 5 $1.25
Building Committee has given Mr Hedgman leave from August 1. to 25th.
Mr Martin applied for leave from Sept. 1st.

July 20.

Bright and hot.
Came to the Gallery at 10 a. m.

Mrs applied to know if the Gallery would allow him to place some family pictures here on exhibition (as a safe place). Told her we intended to take down all the pictures soon. She will call again.

Was astonished to find that Mr Hyde had granted Hedgman leave of absence from 1st to 25th August, when I had told him that I needed his experienced hand when the pictures were taken down, I mentioned this to Mr Clark who said he was not aware of my objection & expressed his intention to change the time of cleaning the pictures from August to Sept. & have it so arranged in future that my assent to the time of leaves will be consulted. This will strengthen my authority and make these leaves more in consonance with the Gallery's interest.

Took the Photo Eg. Co's proofs & letter to Mr Kauffmann, & he warmly recognizes my right to advise about the times of the leaves.
Mr Rice sent up a lot of portraits of Mr. Corcoran.
My late trip to Va. was most interesting, embracing the Shenandoah Valley as far as the "Natural Bridge", & returning by way of Lynchburgh, where I spent an evening with Miss Tunstall, near Berryville I saw G. Stuart's portrait of Nellie Custis in the house of her grandson Daingerfield Lewis Esq. & also "Martha Washington's bible, 1789," & two portraits by West. I spent a day at the "Natural Bridge," which surpassed my expectations. It stands up to Niagara in point of awful sublimity. It & a thousand acres around it belong to Col. Parsons, who drove all over the adjacent hills, which he is covering with fine drines, & the ^cleared^ grounds are like a gentleman's part. When I revisit it, it will be with sketch book & painting materials.

V. 280 C. 8 $2.00

July 21

Alternate shade & shine, with cool breeze.

Clock stopped. Sent for Galt's man to repair it.

Mr Clark called. Assents to my finishing Charlotte Corday, & the group of our St John's Eve, also.

Mr Lemmon painting over again the west wall.

Ans'd Mr Hart's letter about proofs of "Corday" & "Vestal" & stated they were unsatisfactory, from defective drawing.

Wrote to A.W. Drake "Century", & asked if he could recommend a good artist to make drawings of out ~~pho~~ pictures for Illustd. Catalogue, & if we could get the use of the plates of the article on this Gallery to appear in October no. of that magazine.

V. 49 + 5 $12.25 C. 7 $1.75

3 v. after 3 p.m.

July 22

Cloudy and quite cool.

Rice's photos. of Mr Corcoran 75 copies in all

Sorted Mr Rice's photos (39) of Mr Corcoran, and accepted 33, which with the 42 previously accepted, completes the number ordered – 75 copies.

Mr Galt's man still repairing the clock.

Mr Pearson agent for Photo Eng. Co. N.Y. called to know the decision about the proofs. Mr Hart will be here in a week.

Letter of S. H. Pearce Boston, expressing his wish for the "Decapitation of St John" to go to Chicago, if it did not interfere with the intentions of this Gallery to buy it. Replied the Trustees declined the purchase & wrote for special authority to send the picture away. Wrote to Miss Hallowell Chicago, that the picture would be sent to her, & asked in what way.

Mr Kauffmann says Mr Corcoran will stop here a while on his way to the White Sulphur springs.

Sent $2.00 to Tice & Lynch N.Y. for B.F. Stevens, London Eng.

V. 275 C. 19 $4.75
18 after 3 p.m.

July 24.

Bright and very pleasant. A fine temperate summer.

Mr Taylor came to remove Decapitation of St. John, but it is postponed until I hear from Chicago.

Letter from Shirlaw to deliver his picture to order

The letter forwarded to me at Gaylord by Mr Darrell a week ago to-morrow, was returned thence to-day. It is a note from Mr Shirlaw London (80 Newman St) W. requesting me to deliver the "Sheepshearing", to Mr Barlow or order. Mr Barlow has not sent for it.

Ordered Mr Hedgman to wash the "Greek Slave" & other statuary up-stairs.

Mr Lemmon called to ~~go~~ meet Mr Clark, who came and ordered much of the pencilling to be gone over, & also to have the ornamental ~~ken~~ cap of the keystone of one of the niches set in paint & sand - & also the broken cap of the pilaster of one of the niches. Mr Clark examined Mrs Colegrove's "Fontainbleau" & thought it should pass. He agrees with Mr Kauffmann that no teacher nor other person be allowed to correct or finish any copyists' work, in justice to those who have no one to help them.

Dr. Gihon, U.S. Navy wishes to exhibit here until Sept. 2 Japanese vases, 5 ft high.

Mr Kauffmann called & acted as the Art Committee approved & passed Mrs Colegrove's "Fountainbleau".
V. 32 + 6 $8.00 C. 2 50cts

July 25

Bright and quite hot.

The Greek Slave & other marbles in Octagon-Room, washed yesterday, & others to-day.

Mr W. R. Eckmead, Cleveland O. called to learn particulars of the construction of our upper galleries, as regulating the light. He got measurements, a catalogue & a copy of my address in 1878.

Misses Janney called. Conversed much about Dr Hall.

Letter from S.H.. Pearce, Boston, assenting to removal of the "St John" to Chicago, & requesting me to send the bill for packing to the Exposition. Acknowledged it.
V. 313 Cats. 15 $3.75 P. 1 .75cts

July 26

Bright and very hot. Our Therr. as high as 87˚.

Mr Clark met Mr Lemmon, & ordered.

Mr Becker of the Capitol brought the Scagliola pedestal for the bronze bust of Dr Hall. Set it up.

Sent to Earle & Sons, Phila, the Bill for photos in April & May, $18.00.

Sent to Mr H.N. Barlow, his bill for $50.90.

V. 60 + 5 $15.00 C. 8 $2.00

July 27

Bright & very hot – the hottest day yet. Ther. at 11 a.m. in this cool office 84˚ - equal to 94 elsewhere!

Letter from Miss Hallowell, Chicago. Stating how the "Decapitation of St John" is to be sent, with its measurements.

Note from Mrs. Alexr. Mitchell Milwaukie, requesting me to deliver the "Sheep-shearing" to Mr Barlow.

Letter from Frank H. Scott, Treasr. "Century Co", recommending as a proper artist Mr. C. Mettais, 410 115th St. to make drawings for illustrated catalogue. The Co. will gladly arrange with this gallery for its use of their illustrations after they have been used in the magazine for one half their original cost, conveying exclusive right over them, for they will have 12 pictures costing $700 – will sell them entire use for $350, or sell to us the right to use them in our catalogues only for $175.
Fine ~~cuts~~ proofs of the cuts are sent for inspection, to be returned when we are done with them.
Acknowledged Mr Scott's letter & wrote to Mr Mettais for terms, for making drawings for catalogue.

Wrote to Miss Hallowell & sent dimensions of "St John".

Saw Mr Barlow who is to box & send away the Sheep-shearing.

Saw Mr Kauffmann who like myself is disappointed with most of the Century proofs.
Profr Baird left town this morning.
Coal to be put in cellar tomorrow.
V. 190 C. 10 $2.50 P. 2 $1.50

July 28

Still very hot. Our Ther. at noon 86˚.

Coal is being stowed in the cellars.

Rec'd from Earle & Son, Phila. cheque for $18.00, returned receipted bill.

Cast of Il Pensiero at Amherst College.

Col. Clark, Educational Bureau, called & told me that a cast of the Ludovico di Medici (Il Pensiero) sitting statue at Florence by M. Angelo, is in the Amherst College art collection. Will write to know whence it came, its size, & price.

Mr Edward Clark, Trustee, called & stated he would see Mr Hyde about changing the time for cleaning ^the pictures^ from August to September.

Mr Taylor packed in one box, the picture & frame of St John, and directed it per instructions from Miss Hallowell.

Mr Clark wishes a dark pedestal to be placed under Dr Hall's bust in exchange for the scagliola, for which Becker is to be paid $20. & not $25 as he charged.

Mr Hyde called & said Mr Clark had stated I wanted the time for cleaning pictures changed from August to ~~Sp~~ Sept. I corrected that impression by stating it was Mr Clark's own suggestion. The change cannot be made unless by the Board, & so the Picture Galleries will be up closed on August 1.

V. 36 + 2 $9.00 C. 5 $1.25 P. $18.00

July 29.

A fine rain this morning before 8. After that bright & hot.

Communication from the "Century Magazine" enclosing proofs of the description of this gallery designed for the Octr. no. which I was requested to read & correct. I did so & returned them. The article is by Mr Benjamin, & like all others about this gallery, super ficial and incomprehensive. To shew its carelessness two pictures not belonging to the Gallery figure in it, and some of its best pieces – such as Bridgman's "Sacred Bull" entirely unnoticed.

Mr Knox came & took away the box containing "St John". He will bring the invoice or bill of lading this afternoon.

Another note from the "Century" containing printed terms for selling electrotypes, or the engraved blocks of their illustrations to other parties.

Letter from Mr Ezekiel, Paris, 17 July, stating he had made all the drawings for the front of the building, from models in clay, & will send them for ^next^ mail. He will charge for the bas relief for the tympanum $3000 - $2000 each for the designs over the central columns, and $800 ea. for those at the end. He is about to return to Rome, but will again return to Paris.

Telegram from "Century", editor, asking if he can have at once what Mr Corcoran promised to add to the article on Gallery. Replied that I knew nothing about it, that Mr C. was away, but wd be here on Tuesday, Aug. 1.

Wrote to Miss Hallowell that "St John" had left & enclosed bill of packer $3.50. The cartman had failed to send up in time to-day the bill of lading as promised.

Mr Brainard came for his portrait of J Howard Payne. Has engaged Taylor to box it for him.

Received the package of designs for reliefs from Ezekiel. There seems to be defective drawing in the outlines of the chief recumbent female figures.
~~Telegram~~ Sent notice of closing picture galleries Aug 1. to all the papers.
V. 245 C. 6 $1.50 P. 1.75

July 31

Monday. Bright & pleasant with an eastern breeze.

Letter from Miss Mary E. Williams, Italy, acknowledging the cheque for the two Roman Scenes by Moretti. She gives the prices of several casts in Florence, particularly of Lorenzo di Medici – 5000 francs, which must be for a cast of the size of the original. She hopes the Gallery will buy the original head of Dante by Raphael, of which she sent me a ~~copy~~ tracing.

On Saturday after leaving the office I received a second telegram from the Editor of the "century" "Will wait mail proofs Tuesday evening," I wrote him I had sent the corrected proofs, but would send anything else that Mr Corcoran had to append.

Notice of the closing of the P. Galleries in to-days' papers.

The "Post" & "Republican" contain notice of the closing of the Picture Galleries Aug 1. (tomorrow) Sent adverts to "Star" & "Critic".

Notified Messrs. Clark & Kauffmann of the arrival of Ezekiel's drawing, of the reliefs for the pediment &c & his letters. Asked them to attending meeting of Committee to-day.

Mr Taylor boxed the portrait of J. Howard Payne.

Mr Clark sent word that he was confined to his bed by illness & will not of course be here to-day, & Mr Kauffmann out of town.

Mr Barlow sent his clerk to measure the Moretti Roman scenes for frames, & afterwards sent men for the "Sheepshearing".

Mr Corcoran's expected arrival

Mr Corcoran will arrive from Deer Park at 3 p.m. today.
Mrs Karl called & got her bill for binding certified.
Extended the advertisements of closing of P. Galleries to 3 in sections, every other day.
V. 52 $13.00 C. 4 $1.00

August 1.

Cloudy, cool, with light rain which lasted all day.

Visit to Mr. Corcoran.

Called on Mr Corcoran & found him looking much thinner and his face more worn than formerly, but he talks with animation, & steps out actively, & altogether seems in good condition after such a long attack. I shewed him the the drawing & letter from Ezekiel, but he seemed to fear that the price involved would be rather heavy, & requested to state to him his condition & that nothing can be done in the matter until the meeting of the Board in Octr. I shewed him also the illustrations of the "Century" article on the gallery, but he did not like the portrait, & with regard to the "additional matter he promised" he did not remember it, but wished me to state to the editor that at present he was not in condition to send anything. He will leave for the White Sulphur tomorrow, and in the meantime he is over-run with visits from his friends.

Mr Taylor came, put up the frame-work to bear the pictures when taken from the walls.
Removed them all by 5 ½ p.m. 1 extra man after 1 p.m.
Letter from Mr Mettais artist N.Y. Wishes me to send him photos. drawn, & he will then state the cost.

Wrote to Ezekiel & Editor of "Century" N.Y.

Rec'd a roll of proofs of Mr Mettais drawings.

Wrote to Miss Tunstall Lynchburgh, about Mr Corcoran.
V. 125 P. 2 $1.50

August 2

Heavy rain all night. Close, cloudy & sultry this morning with rain.
Mr Barlow sent for & got the "Sheepshearing" by Shirlaw.
Letter from Miss Hallowell enclosing $3.50 to pay Williams bill, returned to her receipted.
Taylor & 2 extra-men taking pictures down this morning, & set up scaffold.
Visitors 59
Miss Markoe wishe to deposit here a bust of her aunt by Powers, but it was declined by order of Trustees.
Wrote to Mr Ward sculptor to know if would allow Rice to make a photo from the negative of Mr Corcoran in an overcoat, for Miss Tunstall & for myself.

Aug. 3

Cloudy, & sultry & drizzly.

Dr Barbarin came & went off on leave at 9.a.m.

Mr McElroy called on business.

All the pictures with a few exceptions removed ^from^ Main Gallery, the cornice & walls dusted, and also the pictures. Mr Taylor & 2 men engaged.

V. 150 C 1 25cts

Aug. 4.

Cloudy and sultry may probably rain.

Mr Taylor & ~~2 men~~ at work until noon. Two men at work all day.
Asst Curator in attendance.

Mr Kauffmann called, & after reading the letters referring to the illustrations for Catalogue, went with me to see some illustrations "Harper" by W.H. Gibson, & at his suggestion, wrote to Mr G. to learn his prices, under cover to Messrs. Harper.
Wrote to Mr Mettais & sent photos & Catalogue.
Wrote to Scott of "Century" & returned "Century" illustrations.
Wrote to Mrs Mitchell, Milwaukie – about "Sheepshearing" that Barlow sent for it & took it away yesterday.

V. 114

Aug. 5

Saturday. Cloudy, but after bright & sunny.

Preparing the pictures for cleaning on Monday. Cleaned the large one that were taken down.

Frank Cassidy only at work with Thomas to-day.

Sent catalogues to Mr Mettais 410 E. 115th St. N.Y.

Wrote to W. Hamilton Gibson, landscape illustrator of "Harper" to know if he drew figure & general subjects, also, and on what terms.
Paid Frank Cassidy, $600.
V. 157 P. 2 50cts

Aug 7.

Monday. Very hot, with a light breeze.

Postal from Miss Hallowell, stating that bill of lading for "St John" had not been received.
Sent to Knox for & got it, & enclosed it a note to Miss Hallowell.

At work with Thomas in cleaning & varnishing pictures. Very laborious, but do not like to leave it to others.

Private note from Miss Tunstall, about floral matters.

V. 50 C 1 25cts P 1 75cts

Aug 8.

Hot, though there is a gentle south breeze.

At work on my Corday (by permission of the Art Committee) while Thomas washes many of the pictures for varnishing tomorrow.

Mrs Senator Logan called with friend whom she wishes to have the privilege of copying. Granted.

V. 140 P. 4 $3.00

Aug 9

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Card from Miss Hallowell announcing arrival of St. John.

Letter from Mettais in regard to the illustrations for catalogue.

Engaged Perkins to assist Thomas in bringing out the heavy pictures. He left at noon, to come tomorrow to assist in hanging pictures.
Varnished several pictures, and touched over the head of Milton in the Cromwell picture, covered up the cracks around his face, & lightened the latter much.

With Mr Hyde's approval, sent for Rakeman to repair frescoing.

Letter from Century Co. will sell any illustrations after article is published.

Sixth vol. Annual Cyclopedia (new Series) rec'd & paid for.
V. 100 C. 1 25cts

Aug. 10

Bright and cool.

Two extra-men with Thomas hung nearly all the line pictures, making a change at the east end for approval.

Mr Rakeman sent two men who repaired the cornice of the main & west galleries, & the cone of the s. east gallery, all injured by leaks – also touched with color the breaks in the edge of Main Gallery cornice, north side.

Letter from Mr Koehler Boston, enclosing prospectus for an Art Directory, & for that purpose requests a catalogue, items about our photographs –no. of visitors from Jan.1./81 to July 31 1882 – the offices of the Washington Art Club, &c.

Mr Fletcher, artist & repairer of pictures called at my request and though the "Drouth" was not changed enough to require repair now that the unsightly edge around the right arm & chair-back of Mr Corcoran's portrait should be painted out, & the back-ground of Preston's portrait should be repaired so as to hid the blemish.

V. 190 C. 2 50cts P. 1 75cts

Pictures varnished by the Curator

[The following was arranged in three side-by-side columns in the journal]

~~1~~ Large Ones,
1 Watering Place
2 Odalisque

3 Drove at Ford
4 Amazon &c
5 Talking Well
6 Lake George
7 Cromwell & Milton
8 Breton's Sunset
9 Moonrise in Madeira
10 Tornado
11 Mt. Corcoran Gallery 12 Flower-piece
13 Souvenirs
14 Rebecca

Small ones, Paddy's March Savoyard, Girl & pets, Lely's portrait of lady Fontainbleau, Fine Weather, A shower, Disputed Shot, Last eyrie's portrait J. Randolph Judge Shippen. Farm House, Souvenirs, Geo Peabody.
14 – in all 28 pictures.

Aug. 11

Bright & cool.
Thomas & two men (extra) at work.
Busy all day varnishing pictures.

Finding the right arm of Mr Corcoran's portrait defaced by the false outline of the sleeve shewing itself through the back ground color put over it, I called Mr Kauffmann's attention to it & he agreed with me that it ought to be effaced, but that Mr McGuire should see it, before doing anything with it.
Mr K. like the change on the east wall, and was amazed with the brilliant color brought out of the Cat & Flowers by the varnish. I shewed him Mettais' letter.

Mr Rakeman came & approved the repairs save in the S.E. Gallery.
V. 75 C. 2 50cts

Aug 12

Cloudy & then bright & hot, after last night's showers.

Varnished pictures, many of them large, & all were rehung save Mr Corcoran's portrait & the "Corday".

Thomas & men cleaned the side-gallery.

Mr wrote for information about photo of "Lost Dogs".
Paid Perkins $5.25. & Curator $4.50 for labor.
Rakeman's man came & touched over leak in S.E. Gallery.

Vs 208 C. 3 75cts

Aug. 14

Bright & hot, with some breeze.

Note of introduction from a nice, of Mr Meikleham, whose mother wishes to sell a marble bust of Gen. Jackson by an unknown sculptor. The nose is broken on one side. Told him, to apply in writing to the Trustees, who will not meet before October 12.

Mr Kauffmann called at noon. Looked at the pictures. I shewed him my "Corday", to the finish of which he does not object, provided I do not show it to the copyists. He did not wait until 1 p.m. the hour of meeting of the Art Committee. Mr Clark did not appear, nor Mr McGuire.

Mr Andrews called. He will cheerfully do what is needed to the Corcoran portrait.

Letter form Mr B.F. Stevens London. Says all the first edition of the Hamilton Palace illustrated Catalogue was sold & we will get a copy of the second. Encloses list of the catalogues of the S. Kensington Museum.

V. 76 C. 1 25cts

Aug. 15

Bright & hot.
Letter from C. McManus, Box 802, Hartford Conn. asking size & price of "Passing Regiment". Answered it.

Rec'd Rakeman's bill, ↑$18.00↓ Asked him to call & see the last attempt of his man to repair leak in S.E. Gallery.
V. 175 C. 4 $1.00

Aug. 16

Bright & very hot.

Received bill of $30. for 9th & 10th Sections of Gerome, Gerome which came to-day. Certified & sent it to Mr Hyde.

Dr Barbarin to be on leave until Monday.

V. 40

Aug. 17

Bright and very hot.

Letter from D. Wagner, artist, Norwich, Chenang O, Co N.Y. enclosing $1.00 for "Lost Dogs". Sent it with postal.

Clock stopped yesterday. Galt's man came, & repaired it.

Mr Rakeman & man tried to improve the leaks – not successful.
V. 150 C. 1 25cts P. 75

Aug. 18

Bright & cool.
Rakeman's man at work on the leak to-day.

Thomas cleaned floors of side galleries.

A queer request!

Letter from Mr Mettais N.Y. giving prices.
A lady plain but well dressed, called & stated she had been appointed to an office in the Interior Dept. but would not begin until Sept 1, & she wanted to know "if Mr Corcoran President of the Louise Home", would allow her to live in that retreat until she entered her office. Referred her to Mr Hyde.
V. 100

Aug. 19

Bright & very cool & pleasant.

Letter (registered) from Chas. McManas, 13 Pratt St. Hartford Conn. enclosing $2.00 for "Passing Regiment", sent it with postal.

Rakeman called & said he could do nothing more with the leak-^up^stairs.

$100 from Mr Hyde Contt. a/c

Got from Mr Hyde $100 Contingent Fund, & gave him my a/c of same from Apl. 10. to this date. He tells me Mr Corcoran is much better. Has been able to walk half a mile.
Mr Hyde called & approved Rakeman's work.
~~A~~ Visitors 227 C. 7 $1.75 P. $2.75

Aug. 21

Monday. Bright & warm.
Sent Rakeman's bill to Mr Hyde.
All the gallery floors cleaned.

Mr McGuire is laid up ill. Mr Kauffman will call before noon.

My lumbago brought on by varnishing so many large pictures still painful.
Sent to Mr Shirlaw, artist, London, acknowledgement of his order to deliver to Mr Barlow, his "Sheepshearing".
Mr Kauffmann called & at his suggestion will set up the Corcoran portrait tomorrow as it is, the "Corday" & "Cat & flowers" & & open the Picture galleries the next day.
Wednesday.

Visitors 85 C. 3 75cts

Aug. 22

Cold rain. Have on my winter-sack.
My lumbago somewhat better.

Thomas & two extra men at work, putting up Mr Corcoran's portrait & two other pictures, & arranging others, which closes the work.

Sent notice to "Star" & "Post" that the Galleries will be open tomorrow.

Mr Heaton, artist called to see about exhibiting his pictures.

V. 152 C. 3 75cts P. 1 75cts

Aug. 23.

Cloudy and milder.

Picture galleries re-opened.

Was amused last night with a notice in the "Star" ~~last night~~ which while complimenting the "Curator" on the improved condition of the pictures, included the assistant Curator in its encomiums for the work done. For my own credit, I must make this record declare that the latter had nothing whatever to do with it – that the varnishing of 12 large, & 10 smaller pictures was the exclusive work of my own hand – that the asst. Curator absented himself on a leave on the first day of the work, and that before the gallery was re-opened, he was away three days more. While the work in the picture-galleries was going on, he was occupied in the office.

The foregoing was ~~fore~~ amusing. But there is a provokingly impertinent notice of the reopening of the Gallery, stating that no changes were made in the hangings – that the Curator had retouched two of them "Cromwell & Milton" & a flower-piece - & that in fact the Gallery might have been opened a week ago!" – so it might, if the Art Committee had come here to decide upon the condition of Mr Corcoran's picture.

Card from Barlow's clerk, stating Mr B. had been sick & unable to attend here about frames, but will soon be here.

Postal from Mr McManus, acknowledging "Passing Regiment".

Photos. of Heaton's pictures.

Mr Augustus Heaton, american artist from Paris, brought to-day two photographs of paintings he wishes to exhibit here after they have been exhibited in Pa. Academy, this fall. They represent the "Recall of Columbus by Isabelle" – showing a dismounted page or messenger, bowing to Columbus who mounted on a white male, has received the "recall" which he reads, with uplifted cap. The other is the "Bathing beach of Trouville, France" showing a lively lot of figures in ^&^ out of water.

Mrs Dorsey called to ask me to testify to her capacity as a teacher of Drawing & Painting. Told her I would say she was a successful copyist – She had engaged to copy Tuccia figure.

V. 90 + 23 113 $22.50 C. 12 $3.00 P. 1 75

Aug. 24

Bright & beautiful.

Found a few streaks of white in the cornice of the main gallery, that accepted the eye of Rakeman's men.

Many excursionists attend to-day.

Pain from lumbago made me go home at noon.

Mr Heaton artist called & left a printed sketch of the two pictures he wishes to leave here. In a month he will write to me.

Mr Simpson wishes to present to the Gallery a portrait of Hon. H. (Hiram?) Walbridge N.Y. painted by the "Queen's artist". Will write to the Trustees.
V. 462 C. 36 $9.00 P 8 $5.75

Aug. 25

Bright & pleasant.

Came to the gallery for a short time, but my lumbago forced me to return home.

Paid Ryneal's bill $4.00.

Learned that Mr F.B. McGuire is still laid up with rheumatism.

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V. 57 + 3 $14.25 C. 4 $1.00

Aug 26

Cloudy & threatening rain, though at times the sun is out.

Came to the Gallery for a few hours & then left for home. I called at the Interior Dept. to inquire about the Washington relics, brought from Mrs Lewis of Va. & learned that they were all still packed in the basement of the Interior Dept. there being no room to exhibit them in. I saw Mr Lockwood, Chief Clerk, who shewed me the Wertmiller portrait of Washington – which though of conspicuous inferior merit, is life-like, & very like in point of sadness of expression to the Gibbs portrait, exhibited here a year ago. It nears cleaning & varnish. Mr Lockwood said the Secy thought it ought to be in the State Dept, & I suggested that the Corcoran Gallery of Art would be the fit place of deposite, which he assented to.

Mr Hedgman returned to duty, & is cleaning statuary. Clock is going once more.
Mr Markriter's man came & measured pictures for frames. He will not be able to give estimate before middle of next week. I gave him a note to the Asst. Curator to call.

V. 310 C. 13 $3.25

Aug 28

Cloudy & cool after yesterday's rains.
Came to the Gallery at noon. Almost rid of my lumbago.
Mr Hedgman cleaning the casts.
Messrs. Hyde & Kauffmann, Latter likes Heaton's photos. No meeting of Art Committee. Mr McGuire has gone to the country.

V. 43 $10.75 C. 1 25cts

Aug. 29

Bright & cool.
Letter from J. D. Gross, 1707, 42d. st. West Phila. inquiring for a position in this Gallery. Was formerly a steel-engraver, but incapacitated by failing sight; was Supt. of Art. Dept. of Centennial Exhn. after Mr Sartain left, & is now an attendant in Memorial Hall. Replied that were was no situation here vacant.

The clock has again stopped – out of order seven weeks!

Letter to the Trustees from O.W. Simpson, 1301 T. St, n.w. offering to sell a portrait of the lat Gen. Hiram Walbridge Ex Sen: N.Y. 12 ft ↑H.↓ x 3 ft. ↑w.↓ & painted by the Queen of England's own artist. It cost $5000. Requested him to name the artist.

Mr Newton's letterer will correct tomorrow dates on Sophocles' pedestal.
V. 443 C 16 $4.00 P. 2 $1.25

Aug. 30

Bright & cool. Beautiful weather. My lumbago letter. Letter from Miss Tunstall. She is going to join Mr Corcoran at White Sulphur. She writes that Ezekiel has shipped a pair of Italian ox-horns, with the new statues.
Letter from ^Mr^ Koehler Boston, giving hints about illustrations for Catalogue.

Mr Rakeman called & shewed pencil drawings for decorative fresco work.

Registered letter enclosing $2.00 for 2 photos of Corday from H.H. Lyons Asheville, N.Ca. Mailed & wrote.

Newton's man corrected dates on pedestal of Sophocles.

V. 71 $17.50 C. 12 $3.00 P. 2 $1.50

Aug. 31

Rain. Weather milder.

Mr Markriter notifies that he will send estimates for frames on Friday.

Galt's man came & is trying to repair the clock.

V. 325 C. 11 $2.75 P. 2 50cts

Sept. 1st.

Bright & cool & in the course of the day warm.

Mr F. B. McGuire called in my absence. He thinks the portrait of Mr Corcoran ought to be attended to at once.

Gen. Norton called. He is getting up a history of Washington city.

V. 60 $14.00 C. 5 $1.25

Sept. 2.

Bright & warm.
P Blanks from Pa. Academy, in reference to pictures for their Annual Exhibition.
Mr Clark, trustee, came. He likes the change &c in the P. Gallery. Joined him at the Capitol, where he shewed me 3 portraits for me to varnish.
Gen. Norton called.

Mr Markriter's bid sent for 2 large frames ↑10 in↓ & 2 small 7.in - $390.

Saw Mr Andrews, who will tomorrow put in order Mr Corcoran's portrait.

V. 250 C 9 $2.25

Sept 4

Monday. Bright & hot.

Asst. Curator away on leave for three days.

General Norton called.

Letter from Jno B. Randolph, offering again the portrait of Chf Justice Marshall to the Gallery for $400. also the portrait of Gen John Eaton Secy of War 1829 by the same artist for $100.

There was no meeting of the Art Committee to-day, only Mr McGuire being present.
Mrs. Colburn called to see if her portrait of Hon. Robinson could remain here 2 months more.
V. 20 $3.75

Sept 5

Bright & pleasant.
Men at work on furnaces.

A man from Galt's called & did something to the clock.

Rakeman came & got his cheque for $18.00. Signed receipt.

Wrote again to O.W. Simpson about his present to Gallery of Genl Walbridge's portrait.

V. 310 C. 13 $3.25 P. $2.25

Sept. 6

Bright & very pleasant.

Letter from Bishop Pinkney, White Sulphur Springs. States that Mr Corcoran is wonderfully improved in health.

V. 57 $13.25 C. 8 $2.00

Sept. 7

Bright & cool.
Went on leave down the river, after calling at the Gallery.

Nothing of importance occurred, except Galt's man started the clock again.
V. 370 C. 14 $3.50

Sept. 8

Monday. Bright & cool.

Mr Clark called. He saw Ezekiel's new designs for tympanum. Went with him to the Capitol where I varnished portraits of Clay & Calhoun belonging to Govt. He will send here the Webster as it needs repair.

Letter from Miss Blandina Conaut requesting me to send her sister's "Forgotten Toast" to Penn. Acady. Annual Exhitn. Sent for Taylor to box it.
V. 99 $23.50 C. 8 $2.00

Sept. 9.

Bright & hot.
Sent "Forgotten Toast" to Pa. Acady. Wrote to Miss B. Conaut & Mr Corliss enclosing Williams' bill.
Mr Clarke came with Webster portrait. Shewed him Corday, he likes it, understand that Mr Corcoran returns here to-night.
Mr Clarke authorizes me to send photos to Mrs Huntsville Ala.

V. 270 C. 9 $2.25 P. 1 $2.00

Sept. 11

Monday. Heavy rains all day.
Mr Andrews came yesterday & improved Mr Corcoran's portrait.

Letter from Jas. S. Caldwell, 39 Lexington ~~Av~~. st. ~~N.Y~~. Balt. asking for photo – of :Lady & Dog" wrote him that we were not allowed to photo it.

Bloom appears on "Odalisque" & "Souvenirs", owing to damp air.

The Art Committee did not meet to-day.

V. 62 $13.00 C. 4 $1.00

Sept. 12

Bright, breezy & cool.

Card from Mr Corliss Phila. stating safe arrival of "Forgotten Toast".

Mr Clark called. Suggests to send a few photos. at a time to Mrs. Mayhew & says that after cold weather sets in to paint outside of roof where leaks are.

Mr Andrews called & offered to touch over portrait of Webster.

Cassidy's brother being sick, the former was not on duty to-day.
V. 352 C. 17 $4.25 P. $3.00

Sept. 13

Bright & pleasantly cool.
Letter from Miss Conaut, enclosing ^$1.50^ Williams' bill. Gave it to her.

Left Gallery on my leave until Monday next, 10.20 a.m.
Collin came & took casts for leaves for "Dying Gaul & Hermes.

V. 84 $20.25 C. 6 $1.50

Sept. 14

Bright & warmer.

Letter from Ezekiel. Has delivered Rubens & Rembrandt for shipment.

Letter from Mr Ezekiel, Paris. States that statues of Rembrandt & ~~Murillo~~ Rubens are delivered for shipment, and that Murillo. Is anxious to hear decision of Trustees on his designs.

Note from Mary Tatum**,** Wilmington, Del. enclosing one dollar for Corday 12 x 16. Sent with letter.

Mr Clark called. He likes "Webster" as he is. Shewed him Ezekiel's letter.

V. 500 C. 13 $3.25 P. $2.25

Sept. 15

Bright and pleasant.

Letter from Mr Ward in reference to Rice's negatives of Mr Corcoran. Will let us have all of them in a few weeks.

Letter from Bertha Von Hillern requesting her painting in this gallery to be packed & shipped ^her at Strasburg for the^ Pa. Acady. of F. Arts. Sent with a letter to her.
V. 144 x 10 $36.00 C. 5 $1.25

Sept. 16

Bright & beautiful – a wonderful month this September.

Letter from Mr Simpson to Trustees, offering to present his portrait of Gen Walbridge (painted by Salter) to the Gallery, & also exhibit it now.
Mrs Collins requests privilege to use photos of "Dying Napoleon" & Sacred Bull" for an article in "Harper's Magazine".
Dr Welling called.
V. 425 C. 20 $5.00 P. $3.75

Sept. 18

Monday. Rainy and raw.

Mr Corcoran's return

Hebert's "La Voie Celeste"

Mr Corcoran returned from the "Springs" on Saturday evening. He sent to me a letter to him from Richard & Co. N.Y. offering to submit to his ~~recept~~ inspection here or there, a painting by He'bert – "La Voie C'eleste" – The Heavenly way. Price and size not given.

Letter to me from R. G. Harper Pennington, artist, Venice in answer to mine - States that Mr Sargent is there also, & would ^like to^ sell one of his pictures to this Gallery, for which Mr P. would charge no commission, if the Trustees will authorize him to buy one, & mention the amount to be given, Sargent gets.
Note from Mr Kauffmann stating he will not attend the Committee's meeting to-day, as he leaves town for 2 or 3 weeks. Sent him Reichard's letter to read & he will see the picture about the 5th or 6th of October. Sent up a note for Mr McGuire.

Asst. Curator went home unwell.

Mr Corcoran & grandson William came in. I was astonished at his hearty appearance, bright, cheerful face full & with healthy color. I never imagined he would ever look so well again.
I showed or rather read Ezekiel's last letter & also Mr Pennington.

V. 104 $26.00 C 7 $1.75 P. 6 $4.50

Sept. 19

Bright and much warmer; in afternoon very hot.

Asst. Curator still too ill to appear.

Mr repaired the screens in Bronze Hall & this office.

Col. Dallas U.S.A. called for me to recommend a teacher in drawing for his daughter. He is grandson of Dallas Secy of War & Treasury in 1818.

Mr Corcoran & Miss Jones called. He walked up the stairs very well indeed, & was delighted with the looks of the gallery. He would have been willing to have the walls again painted by Rakeman as latter proposed.
Men cleaning out furnace flues to-day.
V. 300 C. 8 $2.00 P.

Sept. 20

Bright & warm – promises to be like yesterday.
Asst. Curator on duty.
Replied to Reichard's letter to Mr Corcoran.

Sent Octr no. of "Century" to Mr Corcoran.
Dr. Colburn called.
Bill for repairing 6 screens, certified ↑$5.50↓ & sent to Mr Hyde.

V. 48 x 5 $12.00 C. 5 $1.25

Sept. 21

Bright & hot, in spite of last night's severe thunderstorms.
Asst. Curator on leave for the rest of this week.
Col. Norton called.
Mr Clark called & is pleased with the Webster. Will remove it tomorrow.
Col. Dallas & daughter called. The latter brought some of her painted plates. They examined St. Memin, and he gave me a print of his grandfather A.J. Dallas, & of his seat on the Delaware.

Men engaged in cleaning out furnace-flues.

Mr Andrews sent up for examination his head of Prest. Garfield.
V. 350 C. 15 $3.75 P. 18 $12.25

Sept. 22

Cloudy, rainy & in the afternoon signs of clearing & cool weather.

Furnaces now all in good order.

Gave order for ½ cord pine wood.
Mr Matthews called.

V. 69 $17.25 C. 12 $3.00 P. 1 $75cts.

Sept. 23

Cool northwest wind & heavy rains – some signs of clearing.

Hebert $5,000

Letter from Reichard N.Y. giving price ↑$5,000↓ & size ↑51 x 31↓ of the Hebert.

Tilton's "Rome" $3,000

Letter from Williams & Everett offering Tilton's "Rome for $3,000.
Made a change in position of my desk.
Mr Corcoran called. Read to him the above letters. The latter is like one he rec'd & Mr Hyde answered it.
V. 285 C. 10 $2.50 P. 1 $1.25

Septr. 25

Cloudy and cool. Rain fell in the afternoon.
Asst. Curator on duty.
Private letter from Bierstadt, inquiring if I could engage two men to tighten his pictures at the White House. He will come on in a week.

No meeting of the Art Committee to-day. No members being present.

Note from J.B. Randolph referring to his offer of Sept. 4 to sell Marshall's portrait for $400. Replied to it.

V. 48 x 4 $12.00 C. 1 25cts. P 1 75cts

Septr. 26

Cloudy and cold, with signs of more rain.

Mr Hyde sent up a letter from Mr Montague Detroit, inquiring about a photo of Corday. Mr Hyde directed one to be sent, and ask him to remit, but I thought it better to learn what size Mr M. wished. Wrote him.

Mr Corcoran called to learn particulars of J. Howard Payne. Referred to Mr Brainard, & at Mr C's request, wrote to him to call on Mr. C.

Letter from Levi Maish, ~~Detroit~~, York Pa, acknowledging photo, and enclosing stamps for postage on same.

V. 205 C. 13 $3.25 P. 1 75cts

Sept. 27

Cloudy & cold – fire in furnace. Signs of more rain.

Receipt from Tice & Lynch N.Y. for $4.00 for B.T. Stevens.
Asst Curator came at 11 a. m.
Mr Corcoran & Miss Tunstall called. The latter had not received my letter about the Ward negatives. She will return soon on way to N.Y.
V. 64 + 2 $16.00 C. 8 $2.00 P. 1 75cts

Sept. 28

Bright and cool – a pleasant after the 4 days' rain.

Letter from Provost Morrison, Peabody Institute Balt. asking for forms of printed Rules for Copyists, & Reports. Sent the first, & also a copy of School Trustees Report for 1848, constituting my address on this Gallery.

Col. Clark, Educational Bureau called & sent above Report through his office. He had a letter from Tilton, artist, Boston urging him to see Mr Corcoran, about buying his "Rome".

Illustrated Catalogue of Chicago Exhibition from Miss Hallowell.

Mrs. Reading left a newspaper slip ^in^ laudation of R. Johnston's work.

Dr Hunter called & inquired for a copy of "South Atlantic" periodical, which Miss Tunstalls say she gave me some years ago, & which she wants to use. Could not find it.

V. 360 C. 17 $4.25 P. 7 $5.25

Sept 29

A bright cool glorious morning.

V. 60 + 6 $15.00 C. 8 $2.00

Sept 30

Bright and mild – a lovely day.

Card from Hannette Donelly, Wooster, O. asking price of Catalogue. Answered.

Mr Clark (Trustee) called & took away the Webster. He likes Andrews' Garfield.
He cannot attending the Committee's meeting on Monday at 1 o'clock, but will come at 9 or 10 a.m. At his suggestion wrote to Mr F.B. McGuire asking him to come at the latter hour, but he sent word he cannot come before 1 o'clock.

Mr Corcoran called & inquired if there was any news of the progress on the busts of Dr Hall & himself.

Letter from L. M. Montague, Detroit, Mich, enclosing 82cts in stamps for photo of Charlotte Corday.

Asst. Curator left the gallery at 3 ½ p.m. without waiting for my return.

V. C. P.

Oct 2.

Bright & beautiful. Gallery opens at 10 a.m.

Mr Clark called and acted as the Art Committee.

Permission granted to O.W. Simpson to exhibit portrait of Gen H. Walbridge in this Gallery.

Bids for frames from Messrs. Markriter & McElroy laid over for next meeting.
Ezekiel's letters referred to Board of Trustees.

Mrs Collins request to use photos of "Napoleon & Procession of Scared Bull."

Letters from "Century" & Mr Mattais & Mr Koehler, laid over for future action – also from Miss Williams.

Mr Randolph's application for purchase of Chf. Justice Marshall again declined.
Thanks to Mr Andrews for repairing Mr Corcoran's picture ordered.

Miss Beebe sent a poor painting of Raphael's Madonna as a specimen for copying Charlotte Corday, which she is not allowed to do, but take simpler pieces. Her color & drawing are too deficient.

Letters from B. Von Hillern Strasburgh, states her picture lately here was misnamed. Will send another.

V. 403 C. 17 $4.25

Octr. 2

Dr Welling called.

Card from B.F. Stevens, London, containing cost of Catalogue of Hamilton Palace Collection. £ 1. 4.6. He has sent it but is not here yet.

V. 39 + 2 $9.75 C. 5 $1.25 P. $7.35

Oct. 3

Bright and beautiful & calm.
Left at 8,15. this morning for Phila. & New York for a week or ten days.
The Academy's Exhibition was not open. I met in Mr Corliss' room Mr Kirkpatrick an eminent young artist whose pen-drawings are equal if not superior to any I have seen. I proposed to get an estimate of his charges for illustrations of our catalogues. He

suggested to me the expediency of getting the artists of our best pictures to furnish the sketches, & is sure they will be willing. A good idea which Mr Kauffmann approves.

The minutes below are furnished by the Asst. Curator.

Letter from C.F. Whiple Phila. offering a marine view by the late James Hamilton of that city. Acknowledged.

V. 300 C. 13 $3.25 P. 5 $4.75

Oct. 4.

Cloudy in the morning – clear afterwards.

Mrs. Beebe sent for her Madonna & child.

Mrs. Patrick called for her specimen landscape. She will not copy at present.
Mr C. W. Simpson sent portrait of Genl. H. Walbridge of N.Y. for exhibition. Painted by Salter 1882. A poor affair.

Letter from S.M. Sevrenson & Sons N.Y. offers works of art for sale coins & paintings – acknowledged.

V. 42 $9.00 C. 1 25cts

Oct. 5

Clear & pleasant.
Postal from Earl & Son Phila, ordering 3 large "Vestal" figure. Sent. Not paid for.

Mr Corcoran called at 2.50 p. m.

V. 335 C. 17 $4.25

Oct. 6

Clear & pleasant.

Dr. H. P. Howard of Texas, called. Wishes to exhibit 2 old pictures. Told him to submit his request in writing. (He left a letter of introduction to the Curator, from Saml. Bacon.
Mr Corcoran called.
Catalogue of the Hamilton Palace Collection received. Paid duty on it $1.25.
V. 64 + 5 $1.600 C. 6 $1.49

Oct. 7.

Cloudy & damp.
Letter from A. G. Heaton, in reference to his pictures after close of Penn. Acady's Exhibition, will send them here.

Catalogue sent to Miss Donelly Wooster, O. as per request in a letter from her enclosing stamps in payment, and forwarded from N.Y. from the Curator in a note to his assistant.

Mr Corcoran had a severe fall over the carriage step in front of the Gallery.

V. 381 C. 16 $4.00

Oct. 9

Monday. Clear and pleasant.
Postal from T. B. Coleman, Detroit Mich for list of photos.

Barlow's Cordays.

Mr Barlow sent for 15 large photos of Corday, which were referred unless the money was sent - $2.00 each, which he afterwards sent, & got them.

Miss Erni wishes to resume copying.

V. 60 $15.00 C. 4 $1.00 P. 15 $30.00

Quarterly Meeting of the Board

Meeting of the Board.

The Board met at noon. Present, Prest. Welling, Clark, Kauffmann & F.B. McGuire. Mr Corcoran was present.

Mr Heaton was permitted to send here & exhibit his pictures.

Mr Simpson's present of Gen H. Walbridge's portrait was declined with thanks on motion of F.B. McGuire.

Letter from J.A. Haylon, Prest. of Gas Consumer's Protective Manufactg Co. asking permission to introduce one of their expense, they to be paid price of half the gas consumed. Granted.

Letter from Genl. Heine to the Curator, requesting his Japanese pictures to be sent to him in Germany through Adams' Express Co. ^was read^ & the request ordered to be attended to.

Letter from Miss Darrell requesting repairs in her rooms, & Ladies Rooms, to be made. Referred to the Building Committee.

$100. for Contingent Fund, voted

$100 voted for Contingent, when previous fund ^is^ exhausted.

Mr Ezekiel's letters referred to the Art Committee with authority to select such figures as may seem proper for the column tops, & Pediment in front of the building, & then to write to Mr E. for their cost, & then report to the Board.

The Quarterly Report of the Art Committee's proceedings drawn up by the Curator, was submitted by Mr Kauffmann & accepted.

(By the above proceedings it appears that as steps were taken for the purchase of new pictures at present).

Oct. 10

Clear & pleasant.
Letter from Profr Baird enclosing communication from Signor Grocomo Venice, offering pictures of old masters for sale acknowledged.

Mr Polkinhorn called & spoke of presenting a book on Art to Gallery.
V. 340 C. 15 $3.75 P. 1 75

Oct. 11

Cloudy & warm.

Thomas packed 40 of Gen Heine's pictures ready to be sent to him.

V. 50 + 7 $12.50 C. 3 75cts

Oct. 12

Cloudy and cool after rain.

At 4. p. m. Mr Collin came to fix the leaves ordered for "Dying Gaul" & "Hermes".

V. 225 C. 14 $3.50 P. 3 $2.25

Oct. 13

Cloudy & raw.

My return from the North

Back again at my desk from my northern trip, and much benefitted by it.

Choice pictures seen in New York

My visit to the galleries of art in New York were chiefly limited to those of Goupil & Mr Schaus. At the former I met Mr Kauffmann, & we were shown all the principal pictures of both collection. At Goupil's we saw many choice works at reasonable prices, and also at Schaus', which Mr Kauffmann noted down, in hopes the Board at its late meeting would authorize the purchase of some. Perhaps the most desirable for our gallery was one by Dupre, representing a peasant holding back a cow that has broken the rope holding back a cow that has broken the rope holding her to the ground, $4500, & seven feet long.
After Mr K. left N.Y. I saw at Schaus' Sargent's famous "El Jaleo" or Gipsy Dance – an extraordinary picture. As an illustration of the wisdom of sending ~~an o~~ Trustees to Europe to buy pictures, this work was bought by Schaus for 8000 frs cash, and was sold to a Boston gentleman for $12,000! I saw too at Goupil a magnificent aquarelle by Detaille, bought by C. Vanderbilt. In view of the above pictures – many of them very reasonable, I was extremely sorry to find on my return that the Board at their late meeting had taken no steps to purchase any.

Mrs Limeburner called & stated she had a picture by her brother Howard Helmick (the Washington boy who has attained fame in Great Britain as a painter of Irish character which she wishes to exhibit to the Art Committee for sale $500. 20 x 24 as soon as the frame is ready.

Letter from Clara B. Miller Chicago offering ^to sell^ pictures by Wouverman & Von Valkenburgh. Acknowledged.
V. 50 $12.50 C. 13 $3.25 P. 1 75cts.

Oct. 13 [14]

Bright, cool & breezy.
Busy writing up my Journal.

Mr F.B. McGuire called. He is disappointed that nothing has been done by the Board in buying pictures.

Mrs Morris, Brooklyn, wishes to copy Stuart's "Justice Shippen".

A Mr Elliott brought some fine old copper-plate engravings of Hogarth's works by the artist, for me to appraise.

Letter to Curator from Mr Heaton, about his pictures & prices. Can write to him care of "The Heaton & Denckla" Hardware Co. Phila. & send minor charges to his father A. Heaton, same address.

A letter for Ross Turner "Corcoran Art Gallery" was received here, & had one end of the envelope torn off, but the mistake was seen ~~before the~~ in time to prevent the contents to be taken out.

Mr Corcoran called & complained somewhat of the shock experienced by his fall. He was interested in my account of what pictures are in New York. Miss Tunstall is at the Windsor Hotel N.Y.

V. 470 C. 21 $5.23 P. 75cts

Oct. 16

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Miss Jones called with the Oct. number of "Century".

Mr Corcoran afterwards called, but went away soon feeling ill.

Mrs. Wallace brought a figure-piece as a sample of her painting.

Mr Andrews called. He is told Mr Ross Turner is in Boston.

Action of the Art Committee

The Art Committee met at 1 o'clock, all the members present. Mr Corcoran was present a short time.
Mr Chas D. Murphy's letter was read, in which he offers a painting by James Hamilton. Ordered that the Curator notify him that the Art Committee may probably visit the Pa. Acady Exhibition, & examine it.

Messrs. Swenson & Son's letter offering to sell old pictures & coins Signore Giacomo's (at Venice) offer in letter (transmitted by Profr Baird, to sell some old masters' pictures, & Miss Clara B. Miller's ^letter^ Chicago, offering to sell pictures by old masters, were read & the offers declined as the Art Committee has no authority to buy old pictures, Curator to write to them.

~~The letter of Gen Heine referred to the Committee by the Board of Trustees.~~
The subject of Gen. Heine's Japanese pictures ordered to be returned to him by the Curator, being brought up, it was directed that they be sent to Baltimore by Adams Express, as requested.

Art Committee's action

Mr Clark's modification of Ezekiel's plan for relief in front of the Gallery

The letters ^drawings^ of Mr Ezekiel proposing to furnish reliefs in marble for the front of the Building were ~~read~~ considered. Mr Clark proposed to modify Mr. E's plan, by substituting in the pediment a bronze relief in scroll work similar to those on the small side pediments, with a medallion portrait of Mr Corcoran in the centre: to place on the ^two^ column caps below the pediment the small groups of figures which Mr E. designed for the side column caps, instead of the larger ones he designed. These two smaller groups to have the symbols of art music & architecture & to be of bronze. Also to convert the smaller column caps into inverted brackets, so that they would not un obstruct the cornice of the smaller pediments, & for these changes & improvements Mr E. is ^to be^ called upon to furnish estimates, to be laid before the Board.

The Curator called the attention of the Committee to the unsightly & unclean condition of the portrait of Genl. Walbridge, and he was directed to notify Mr Simpson that until the picture was removed & put in "suitable "condition" (as per Regulations, it could not be admitted to the Gallery.

Mrs. Wallace's specimen of her painting, was accepted, & she is entitled to copy.

The ease of Mr Barlow's privilege to buy photos at reduced rates was considered & it was ordered that he must pay full price unless he like others buy a large number, where there will be a reduction of 10 pr ct. for purchases amounting to $10. & upwards. This will be allowed on his last purchase.
Mr Collin brought a good leaf for "Dying Gaul". Declined that for :Hermes".
V. 71 $17.75 C. 6 $1.50 P 75cts

Octr. 17

Cloudy & sultry – threatening more rain.
Asst. Curator off on leave.
Wrote to Clara B. Miller Chicago, & Swenson & Son N.Y. declining (per direction of Art Committee) to buy old pictures &c.

Wrote to C.D. Murphy Phila. stating Art Comee. may visit the Academy's exhibition, & examine the picture by Hamilton.

Wrote to C.W. Simpson that the Art Committee would not admit the Walbridge portrait to the Gallery for exhibition until removed & put in the "suitable condition", required by Rules.

Gen. Clark called & left draft of the letter I am to send to Ezekiel in reference to his designs.

Wrote to Schumacher & Co. Balt. about expense freight on Heine's pictures.

Adams' Express took away the two boxes of Heine's pictures.

V.C. 20 $5 P. 4 $3.00

Octr. 18

Hazy and very warm.
Asst. Curator on duty.
Wrote to Mr Ezekiel, transmitting the views of the Art Committee upon his designs for enriching front of building.
Showed the draft to Mr Kauffmann who called, & left it.

V. 80 ↑free↓ + 52 ↑pay↓ C. 7 $1.75 P. 75cts

Octr. 19

Cloudy, cooler & rainy.
Asst Curator is not here – unwell.

Letter from Schumacher & Co about expenses on Heine's boxes, learned from Adams Express, the latter had been sent to New York & will probably leave on 21st.

Letter from Heine, repeating his request to send his pictures.

Letter from H. C. Everett Boston, to learn prices of Tuccia.

Mrs Dr. Purrington called to see if she could place her ^late^ husband's picture her.
Advised to address Art Committee.

Dr. Crummles (colored) called to see if he could sell a collection of coins & some letters.
V. 225 C. 26 $6.50 P. 10 $7.50

Octr. 20

Cold, cloudy, but more pleasant than late warm days.
Asst. Curator not here.
Letter from J. C. Richberg Chicago, offering pictures by J.M. Stanley (formerly of this city) for sale, one is Landing of Capt John Smith on the site of Washington. Wrote that it would be referred to the Art Committee.

Letter from C. Heine, Rome, stating he had shipped Ezekiel's last two statues & enclosing bill for charges of £ 52.12.2, to be collected by Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne N.Y. He encloses certificate of the U.S. Consul General, with invoice that erroneously states one of the statues to be of Albert Durer (!) They will be sent by way of Palermo.

Mr Bayne (Adams' Express) called & stated that the German steamer at New York, refuses to receive Heine's boxes, until an invoice is furnished, showing this value Mr B. will write to the ~~parties~~ his office, & settle the point.

Wrote to H. C. Everett, Boston. Gave prices of "Tuccia" photos.
V. 70 + 10 $17.50 C. 6 $1.50 P. 2 $1.50

Octr. 21

Bright and pleasantly cool. Last night was cold.
Asst. Curator absent.
Letter from C.D. Murphy Phila. enclosing slips of newsparer criticism upon Hamilton's painting.

Letter (private) from Miss Plummer Mass, enclosing one dollar & 64 cts. in stamps for 2 "Vestal" figures. Sent.

Letter from Knauth Nachod & Kuhne N.Y. stating they had rec'd papers from C. Hein, about the Ezekiel statues. Wrote them that I had received similar papers from Hein, & that I had requested the Secy of Treasury to pass the goods.

Received from Miss Riggs a note accompanying three photos of her father (from Elliott's portrait) one of which she promised me.

Note from brother of Ross Turner, to send the latter's letter to 12. West St Boston, Mass. Sent it.
Note from from F. McDowell, Williamsport Pa. to know size of vestal figure & price – answered by card.

470 V. C. 26 $6.50 P. 8 $6.00

Oct. 23

Cloudy with gleams of sunshine. Cool & unsettled.

Letter from Secy of Treasury notifying me that he had forwarded instructions to N. Y. C. House to pass the statues.
Mrs. Limeburner left a letter to Art Committee about Helmick's picture.
Rec'd two copies of collections of American Art Gallery, N.Y.

Mr Corcoran called with Mr & Mrs. Everett. Mr E. holds a diplomatic position in Berlin. Mr Corcoran looks feeble.

Mr J. C. McGuire called.

The Art Committee met at 1.p.m. ^Present^ Messrs Kauffmann & McGuire, ^Mr Clark absent.^ No business of importance was done.

Mr Helmick's Painting rec'd.

Mr Helmick's "Dejeuner a la fourchette, sent up by Barlow after Committee ^left.^
Wrote Gen Heine, near Dresden, that his pictures were sent to him.

V. 47 + 3 $11.75 C. 8 $2.00 P. 4 $3.00

Oct. 24

Cloudy & with cold northwest wind.

Mrs. Parkhurst left a picture as sample, for privilege of copying.
Wrote to Mr C.T. Murphy Phila. & returned slips.

Mr Corcoran & Miss Jones called. He heard my letter to Ezekiel read, & was sorry he did not know its contents sooner. He fears E. will be very much disappointed on its receipts. He wishes to hear what I will write to him to-morrow.
V. 350 C. 19 $4.75 P. 1 75

Oct. 25

A bright, bracing cool morning at last.

Letter from Knauth Nachod & Kuhne, enclosing blank form of oath to be taken by me. He has a copy of the Consular certificate, but ↑not↓ the ~~one in~~ sculptor's, which he wants, also the date of the Secy's letter to the Collector.
The statues are coming per steamship "Piqua". Wrote him with the papers requested, sent the Consular certified because the sculptor's was attracted by seal.
Letters from Miss F. McDowell Williamsport Pa. enclosing $1.00 for Vestal Figure, sent it with 15cts in stamps change & a notice of the colors of the subject, at her request.

Wrote to Mr Ezekiel, & first read letter to Mr Corcoran.

V. C. P.

Octr. 26

Cloudy and cool.
Asst. Curator on duty.
Letter from B. Rigby N.Y. Art Rooms, 21. E. 15th St. stating he had a fine old painting of the Bologna school "Roman Charity" (the old story of the a daughter nursing from he breast, her old father in prison) Thinks it is by Domenichino or one of the Caraccis 5 ft + 4 ft. Believes it was sold in Paris for 5300 francs – can be had for $3,000.

Order for Corday & Vestal

Ordered 50 Cordays & 50 Vestal Figures from Rice.

V. 407 C. 21 $5.25 P. 4 $3.00

Oct. 27.

Cloudy and mild.

Mr Corcoran sent for me to his house, where he is too unwell to go out. He spoke again of Mr Ezekiel's disappointment, and seems greatly worried about it, as he thinks he must be suffering from want of money, from passages in his letters to a friend shewn to him Mr C. He tells me he wants to talk with Mr Clark about the case. Mr Clark he says, will not be back before next week.

Letter from Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne, enclosing their copy of the Consular certificate, as Ezekiel's certificate has to go before the Custom House. Wants to know ^how^ Stem's bill is to be paid (as he urges immediate payment), & how we wish the statues forwarded. Told them to send Stein's bill & the New York charges here in dollars, and the Amt. would be remitted,-also to send statues by rail as freight.

Mr Davidson a friend of Mr C. M. Matthews called. He is engaged in Japan in missionary & educational pursuits, and wishes a donation of some of our photographs, which Mr Matthews referred to.

Wrote to B. Rigby N.Y. about "Roman Charity." Refed. to Art Committee.

V. 63 + 15 $15.75 C. 7 $1.75

Octr. 28

Cloudy and signs of rain.
Mr Hedgman absent, sent word he is ill.
Mr Darrell reports having accidentally broken the flute or pipe of Enterpe.

Letter from H. C. Everett Boston, Mass. enclosing one dollar for photo of single figure Vestal, with 15cts change in stamps.

Another letter from J. C. Richberg, Chicago, asking my judgment of value of Stanley's pictures. Gave it, -- such as it is.

Mr Lanman & stated that he wished at a future day to place on exhibition in the Gallery, a series of oil studies of landscape in one frame. Told him to address a note to the Art Committee.

Mr Fleischmann called on behalf of Mr Borris, artist, to see if latter could get permission to copy Couder's "Cat & Flowers" by brought down from its present position over Mr Corcoran's portrait for that purpose, or permit him to copy it from a high platform. Told ^him^ both requests were objectionable. Mr Borris called for same purpose 2 days with Mrs. Ulke.

Saw Mr Galt about ~~her~~ our clock which has again stopped. He will send up a man to examine it, & in the meantime will send up another clock to be set up near the Janitor's desk.

V. 440 C. 22 $5.50 P. 5 $5.00

Oct. 30

Bright & very mild.
Mr. Hedgman not here to-day.
Mr Galt set up a clock over Janitor's desk on Saturday.

At noon there fell a heavy broad (gilt) moulding that borders the skylight to the floor, making much dust by its being broken to atoms. It was providential that it did not fall upon any one, for it would certainly have killed him, or severely wounded him. The price that dropped must be at leat six or eight feet long.

The Art Committee met at 1 p.m. Messrs Kauffmann ~~and~~ Clark. Mr McGuire is absent from illness.

Mrs. Limeburner's letter offering H. Helmich's "Dejeunes a la fourchette" for $500, was read, & declined.

Mr Rigby's letter about "Roman Charity" was read. The Curator's intimation ^to him^ that the Trustees were not buying old pictures was all the answer necessary.

Mrs Wallace's copy of Stuart's "Justice Shippen" was ^passed.^

The Curator stated Mr Borris' application to have the "Cat and flowers", lowered for him to copy, or allow to paint it from a platform. Both these privileges have heretofore been

refused, but as it was desirable to have the picture in a more desirable position it was ordered that it should change places with Tilton's "Fishing Boats".
V. 76 $19.00 C. 23 $5.75 P. 5 $3.75
Mrs Parkhurst's specimen of landscape was declared unworthy of a copyist's card. If she wishes to copy flowers, must exhibit a specimen.

Octr. 31

Cloudy but very mild.

Letter from W.T. Jenison, Denver, referring to a portrait of Charles II, when a boy, which had been exhibited here many years ago. He offers it for $500.

Transposed "Cat & Flowers" & Tilton's "Venitian Fishing Boats."
Asst Curator left before the Gallery closed while I was engaged in the Gallery as above.

Mrs Surbridge called in behalf of Mr Borris. Told her I would let her know when the change was made in the pictures.

V. 245 C. 14 $3.50 P. 2 $1.50

Novr. 1.

Bright & warm – Indian Summer!

Letter from Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne, stating that the "Piqua" had arrived, & enclosing bill for charges. Gave it to Mr Hyde, & wrote to the firm to make it out in dollars, as before.

Telephoned Knox's Express to look out for the statues by rail.

Wrote to Mrs Limeburner, about decision of Committee & also to Mrs. Sarbridge to let Mr Borris know of what had been done.
Mr Probasco, wealthy art-collector at Cincinnati, called and was very severe upon the quality of half ^of^ our pictures.
V. 66 + 11 $16.50 C. 13 $3.25 P. $5.00

Nov. 2.

Heavy rain last night. Cloudy & raw wind to-day, the leaves falling rapidly.

Mr Fischer sent up three more Catalogues (illustrated) of the French Salon.

Rec'd list of Lowell's paintings &c in Boston, with a specimen, in a letter from him.

Put first part of new edition of Catalogue in Gibson's hands. Found mistake in measurement of "Corday."

Saw Mr Corcoran at his office. He still looks feeble, though he was able to write to Mr Ezekiel.

V. 275 C. 13 $3.25

Nov. 3.

Bright & cold – Bracing weather.

Letter from Margaret P. Janes, 511 S. 41st. St. Phila. States at suggestion of Mr Whipple she informs me that six bronze busts will soon be made from the original plaster bust of Gilbert Stuart by Brower in 1828 (when Stuart was 70 years old) & first exhibited in the Hubbard Gallery Boston, & about which she had written several articles. It is now on exhibition at Sypher's, 741, Broadway. The bust in bronze will be life-size, & made under the supervision of Mr Calverley, sculptor. Price $100.

Mrs. Borris called & got measure of canvas for copy of Cat & Flowers.

Mr Parker, artist of martyrdom "St Sebastian", called and expressed a wish to bring a portrait of a lady into this Gallery to be photographed. I recommended him to ask permission of the Building or Art Committees, and to see Mr Rice or Mr Smilie.

Mrs. Limeburner called about Helmick's pictures. Asked & got permission ~~f~~ to let it stay here until next week.

Wrote again to C. W. Simpson 1415, G. St. that as he had not removed the portrait of Gen Walbridge for cleaning it, as ordered by the Art Committee, or answered my letter, the picture if not removed by next week, would be stored in the cellar.

Wrote to Miss Ferguson Va.

V. 72 + 6 $18.00 C. 12 $3.00 P. 2 $1.25

Nov. 4

Bright and cool.
Took letter from Knauth & Co. to Mr Hyde, containing receipt of his bill.

Dr Welling called. Likes my Corday.

Mr Collin sent a leaf for Hermes, & if suitable, will call and fasten it on.

Letter from Henry Perry N.O. enclosing 3 dollars for 2 photos each of "Fun & Fright" & the "Pastoral Visit" mailed them, & wrote charging postage.

Wrote to Signor Burco Giacomo Venice, declining the purchase of his collection of old paintings.

V 366 C. 16 $4.00 P. 10 $10.00

Nov. 6

Bright, cool and bracing.

9th. Anniversary of my taking charge of this Gallery as Curator, and I am thankful to record that my activity in the discharge of my duties, has not lessened within in the last year, though some disagreeable & unnecessary circumstances have ~~marked marred the pleasantness~~ attended the work of the past three months, which I need not here specify.

Mr Borris came and commenced his copy of the "Cat & Flowers."

Mr Hyde sends word that Mr. Rakeman is to calcamine the ceiling of the Ladies Room.

Mr Corcoran called for while, but was too sleepy to wait for the Art Committee. He wants to have a photo taken from his portrait – at his house, & is not satisfied with those Rice took & leaves it to me to select the man.

Art Committee did not meet Mr Clark alone acts

The Art Committee did not meet. Mr Clark only attended. He passed Miss Newton's copy of "Heir Presumptive", & approved my "Corday", & assented to my selling it. He bought a letter from Cyrus Cobb ^to him^ in reference to his brother's picture of "Washington at Dorchester Heights", wishing to sell it to the Gallery. By direction of Mr Clark I wrote to Mr C. Cobb, stating that in view of the opinions of the Trustees about said picture, the Art – Committee could not recommend its purchase. Wrote it.

Mr Jenison & Miss Janes' letters were to be acknowledged & referred to Art Committee for action a week hence.

Mr C. W. Simpson sent for his portrait of Walbridge – a riddance.

Miss Costigan & Mrs left specimens of painting. On suggestion of Mr Clark, admitted them if they selected simple pictures to copy, which they did, & will copy on Wednesday next.

A Mrs Thompson (Syracuse Journal) called to learn the history of "Morse's House of Representatives."

V. 40 + 3 $10.00 C 9 $2.25 P. 1 75

Novr. 7.

Cloudy and raw.
Mrs Loomis called. Wishes to exhibit some pictures in the Gallery. Mr Polkinghorn called & left Walker's "Analysis of Beauty" as a present for the Gallery.

Sent for & got Mr Corcorans portrait by Guillaume. Mr C wished Rice to photo it, but prefers to have it done in the gallery. Saw Rice who prefers to have the portrait sent to him. Will see Mr Corcoran about it.
V. 290 C. 10 $2.50 P. 3 $2.25
Horatio King Esq. called to invite me to his house on Monday next to form a Longfellow Association.

Nov. 8

Postal from Chas. W. Clisbee, asking if an Art School is attached to this Gallery, & if there is one here to give address. Wrote him.

Asked Mr Corcoran if same size of Rice's ^last^ photos of him, will do for the new. Says it will do.

Asst. Curator absent after 1 p.m. on leave.

V. 47 $11.75 C. 6 $1.50

Nov. 9

Bright and mild.

Letter from Mrs J. Gulick (formerly Miss Milligan of this city) near Princeton has a copy of a miniature of Gibson (an artist & teacher of Painting some years ago here) painted by Jo. Wood also an eminent painter of Washington. They copy is by the writer a pupil of Mr Gibson. She proposes to make a life-size copy of it in oils, & present it to the Gallery if acceptable. Wrote to her would lay the letter before the Art Committee.

15 Cordays

15 Cordays accepted from Rice – 3 requested.

Mr Corcoran called. He has told Rice to make some of the photos of his portrait smaller in size.

V. 332 C. 18 $4.50 P. 12 $7.50

Nov. 10.

Mild & foggy – with signs of clearing.

Letter from Fredk. Condit, Providence. Wants a photo of "Roger & Angelique" by Barye. Has seen my article on Barye Bronzes in the Art Review. He would prefer a copy in terra cotta or plaster. Replied to it.

Rice photos. of Mr Corcoran Gallery

Rice sent word that he had finished the negative of Mr Corcoran's portrait. Sent it back to Mr C. Also sent two large & two small copies of the photos. They represent Mr C. much younger than he is now, but they do not give the expression of his features at all - particularly of the mouth.

Mr Corcoran called & took away the 4 photos. of himself.

V. 73 $18.75 C 6 $1.50

Nov. 11

Mild & cloudy. Signs of rain.

Wrote to Knauth & Co. N. Y. to know when the statues would arrive.

Mr F. B. McGuire called. Shewed him my "Corday".

Mr Corcoran called, looking much better. Shewed him my "Corday".

V. 395 C. 11 $2.75 P. 3 $1.75

Nov. 13.

Mild & cloudy, threatening rain, that fell in the afternoon.

Postal from Earle & Sons ordering 3 large Cordays. Sent them by express, and wrote them.

Card from Balt. from Agent of Barrie, stating he would call in two weeks about the building of the "Art Treasures of America".

Mr Rakeman called. Said his workmen would finish the work on the ceilings of the janitor's rooms, this morning. It was commenced last Tuesday or Wednesday.

Mr Lowell sent on copies of N. Y. Times containing notices of his paintings.

The Art Committee did not meet to-day.

Miss Darrell (The Janitor's sister) sent me a note to her from Mr Hyde, asking her to get Hooe Bros. to supply her with suitable oil-cloth for the "closet" when he puts down the carpet, & stating that I would pay the bill, out of the Contingent Fund.

Portrait of Hassler

Mrs Newcomb (wife of Professor N.) wrote to know if she could deposite here for three years, a portrait of her grandfather Professor Hassler, formerly Head of Coast Survey. Replied that A. Come, must decide.
V. 48 + 6 $12.25 C. 6 $1.50

Nov. 14

Cold at last! Wind from northwest, cloudy.

Letter from Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne, N.Y. stating that the shipping of the statues is delayed by the refusal of the C. H. officials there to pass them until they were examined at the appraiser's stores, the "Piqua" is at Brooklyn, & heretofore they have been examined on the wharf. They think they cannot be passed until the end of the week.

Rec'd 4th vol of L'Art, also London Art Journal & Portfolio.

Mr Bradley (2125 L St.) called to inquire about the statues. Will advise him when they come.

Saw Mr James, Customs Division of Treasy Dept. & read the Knauth & Co's letter regarding the delay in shipping the statues. He at once telegraphed to the N. Y. C. House officers to forward the statues forthwith by rail. I am to notify the Dept. of their arrival, and Parkhurst will come to examine them. Wrote to Knauth & Co, the above facts.

At Mr Corcoran's request I told Rice of his wish to have a change made in the strong shadows & sharp lines of the last photo of Mr. C. The latter intends it to be engraved by Sartain ~~fo~~ to accompany the publication of certain papers in Richmond.

Judge French tells me of a remarkably fine picture (one of the famous Meade collection of ~~Spanish~~ pictures brought by that gentleman from Spain) in Georgetown College, which the Faculty would sell. It represents St. Matthew at the Receipt of Customs, and is said to be by Gioandano.

Mr Corcoran called. He will speak to Mr Hyde about the examination of the ceiling of the Main Gallery. He consents that Mrs Newcomb may deposite here her grandfather's portrait.

Accepted 65 Cordays 12 x 16

Received 115 "Cordays" 12 x 16 from Rice. Accepted 65.

V. 285 C. 11 $2.75

Nov. 15

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Mr & Mrs. Galt (niece of Miss Capron Norfolk Va.) called & went through the Gallery.

Mr Babbitt of N.Y. & Mrs of Baltimore called & introduced to me by card from Mr H. Walters.

Mr F.B. McGuire called. Authorized me to write to Mr Calverly sculptor, N.Y. if he thinks the proposed bronze bust of Gilbert Stuart after the cast by Brower, is worthy of an order for a copy for this Gallery. I am to order it from Mrs. Margaret P. Janes. Wrote to Calverley. Mr McG. authorizes to decline Mr Jenison's copy of Charles II & also the copy of Wood's portrait of Gibson by herself, which she proposes to present to the Gallery, if acceptable. Wrote her.

Mr McG. passed Miss Nimmo's copy of "Girl's Reading".

By authority of Mr McGuire. Wrote to Mrs. Gulick, declining her present of a copy (by herself) of Jo. Wood's portrait of Mr Gibson.

Wrote to Earle & Sons Phila. enclosing bill for photos. $12.

Wrote to J.A. Lowell & Co. Boston, stating that members of the Art Committee may call & examine his pictures.

V. 71 + 5 $17.75 C. 7 $1.75 P. 1 50cts

Nov. 16

Bright and mild – Indian summer.

Letter from C.T. Murphy Phila. asking if the Art Committee had done anything about the marine by Hamilton. Replied nothing.

Letter from Mr Frederic Condit, Providence, enclosing 50cts in stamps for "Roger & Angelique" – rather small for his purpose. Wishes to know the incidents of the story. Wrote to him.

Sent note to Mrs Profr. Newcomb, admitting her portraits, & she sent Profr Hauler's (her grandfather) portrait with a card descriptive of it, & will send her husband's in a few days. Sent her a receipt in a note.

Mr Hyde sent up a letter to Mr Corcoran Octr. 18, from M.L. Smith, Frederickton N. B. offering to sell some old paintings. It was ack'd & declined Octr. 23.
V. 393 C. 21 $5.25 P. $4.25
Mr Hyde sent up cheque for $9.00 to Mr Bouton, & tell him to send receipted bill in future Did so.

Nov. 17

Cloudy and damp.

Letter from Mr Ezekiel acknowledging my letter reporting Art Committee's action. Comments upon it, and requests his last drawing to be sent. His "Murillo" is nearly finished, & has prepared materials for costume of Canova & Crawford. I read the letter to Mr Corcoran who also shewed me one he had received from Mr E. He speaks of a statue of Eve, he has made. I wrote to him, sent his drawing, & requested him to send us a photograph.

Asst. Curator on leave has gone to Baltimore.

Mr Barbee, sculptor called. Wants to sell a marble bust of the late Mrs. Pendleton, by his father, for $250. He has also at his studio in Baltimore, a marble statue of the "Star of the West," which he intends to place in the Capitol – "Memorial of Garfield" Exhibition. He admired my Corday, & will speak of it in Baltimore.
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Mr Corcoran came in. Does not wish Mrs. Pendleton's bust here. Read my letter to Ezekiel to him.

V. 64 + 1 $16.00 C. 8 $2.00 P. 1 75cts

Nov. 18

Cloudy & very raw.

Found that the roll of drawings ^sent to be^ mailed for Ezekiel yesterday was charged $1.25 for postage, & brought back to me. I went today to the P. Office, & got it mailed for 7 cts!

Gibson has printed a third of the new editions of Catalogue.

Rice sent a proof of the improved photo of Mr Corcoran, to him.

Hung Profr Hassler's portrait in N.W. Gallery.

Note from Mr Barbee, Balt. Told him in reply that Mr Corcoran deemed the admission of Mrs Pendleton's bust out of the question.

V. 350 C. 16 $4.00 P. 4 $3.50

Nov. 20

Monday. Bright & bracingly cool.

Letter to me from Mr Ezekiel. Had rec'd my second letter. Says he would not touch the order from the Art Committee, but for the work of the bronze medallion portrait of Mr Corcoran. He had thought the want of money had led to "chopping down a work he had looked forward to do."

Letter from Mr Calverley stating his approval of Mrs. Janes proposal for the bronze busts of Stuart, & will do all he promises about supervising the work. He does not think the original cast a finished work of art.

Mr Corcoran's sudden illness

Read Mr Ezekiel's & Culverley's letters to Mr Corcoran, who is confined to his bed, where he has been lying since Saturday evening. I met Dr Tyler there who told me Mr C. was attacked with vomiting in ^the cars^ coming from Baltimore on Saturday, following with bilious diarrhea. He is to-day comfortable, but as Dr T. justly says, these attacks are very dangerously a man of his years. It will break up his trip to Richmond this week. Dr Tyler will bring a letter to me about a Titian belonging to a Virginia city.

No meeting of the Art Committee

Wrote to Mrs Margaret O. Janes Phila. accepting her offer for one of the ^first^ 6 bronze busts of Stuart for $100. for this Gallery.

Letter from Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne N.Y. stating that the statues had been shipped on 18th. Acknowledged it.
Mr Bradley came, & will get up his derrick tomorrow.

V. 66 $16 650 C. 9 $2.25 P. 3 $2.25

Nov. 21.

Bright and cool.

Sent in letter $4.00 to Tice & Lynch for periodicals for Sept. & Octr. on a/c of B. T. Stevens, London, England.

Scene in the Rotunda, The Garfield Monument

Saw Mr Clark at the Capitol, & left Ezekiel's letter with him. He will be at the Gallery tomorrow, to decide position of statues. I visited the Rotunda when the Garfield Monument Exhibition is to be held. Most of the pictures are hung, but not more than a score are of high merit, & there is abundance of rubbish among them. The Rotunda is a noble hall for exhibiting pictures, but I regret that such a lot of generally poor paintings will greet the eye of our northern and foreign visitors, in such an imposing national building.

Mr Collin came & put on a new leaf on Hermes.
Mr Bradley put up his derrick this afternoon.
My "Corday" is now finished, & will leave tomorrow.
V. 275 C. 10 $2.50 P. 3 $2.00

Nov. 22

Bright and beautiful at first, but afterwards cold.

Spoke to Mr Hyde about my Contingent a/c. He says I can send down my new one at any time & draw $100. Mr Corcoran is better.

Gibson sent up proof of 2d position of Catalogue, returned it.

Rice sent up a copy of the improved large photo of Mr Corcoran.

Another outrage in the Sculpture Gallery, upon the statue of Clytie. Some beast cut into the plaster & soiled the surrounding parts.

Mr Clark called. Will send a man to examine ceiling. Went with him to Oakhill Cemetery to examine Mr Corcoran's tomb. Mr Clarke thinks we ought to offer a reward about these outrages on the statues.
Miss Jones called & said Mr Corcoran wants to see at 4 p.m. She says he eat buck-wheat cakes to-day – a dangerous article for him!

The statues were brought by Knox at 4 p.m. & left on the pavement to await examination by the Georgetown Collector of Customs to-morrow.

Went by request of Mr Corcoran to his house. Found him in the Library, looking feeble, & he spoke with a faint voice. His last attack has made its mark upon him. He told he & Mr Clark had settled upon the work by Ezekiel at his (E's) estimates of cost & wants me to write at once to him by Saturday's steamer. He wishes me to send to Mr McGuire ^to come & see him^ about getting from Ward the profile & other likenesses taken of him, for Ezekiel's use – also to be sent at once to Mr E. He seems much worried at Mr Ward's delay in his (Mr C's) bust, and not sending word to him or Mr McGuire about it.

V. 85 + 4 $21.25 C. 13 $3.25

Nov. 23.

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Sent to Georgetown for Collector Parkhurst to examine cases of statues also to Mr McGuire to call & see Mr Corcoran. The latter is out of town. Mr Parkhurst came & passed the statues. Mr Bradley call is taking down old pedestals.

Saw Mr Corcoran who is better to-day. Told me to pay freight on the ox-horns. Wrote to Miss Tunstall, & sent the horns by express to her. He called here which I was out requesting Mr Rice to change the small photo of Mr C. in the same way as the larger one. He does not think he could change the back-ground of the negative, which could be better done by the engraver.

Mr & Mrs Ed. Clark, his daughter & Mrs. – Mr C's sister at 3 o'clock to see my copy of "Corday", but unfortunately for them & myself, it was boxed up at Williams' shop.
Mr Clark gave a draft of a letter I am to send to Mr. Ezekiel after Mr Corcoran has heard it read. It complies with his offer for the work on the front of the building, for $5600 in all & requesting him to furnish a sketch for the inspection of the committee. A profile head of Mr C. will be sent to him, and suggesting that he would state when he desired desire partial ^or bill^ payment on account of the work.

Georgetown College offer "Call of St. Matthew" for sale.

Letter to Trustees ^from^ Geotn. College (Rev. J.A. Doonan) offering "Call of St. Matthew. A letter for the Art Committee was left by a Mr. Montague (English) desiring to exhibit here his latest work in pure chiaro-oscuro – black & white. Mr Clark ^saw^ the photo pf the picture also left, and approved its admission.
Wrote him granting permission.

V. 470 C. 20 $5.00

Nov. 24

Bright, breezy & bracing in the morning, but very cold, with a strong northwester in the afternoon.

The statues too deep to go in niches

I find the base of the Rubens statue is too deep like the Titians, & Mr Bradley will have to cut off two inches of the front. Wrote to him with a sketch of what must be the depth of the plinth of future statues.

Letter to Ezekiel signed by Mr Corcoran Gallery

Wrote to Ezekiel according to the draft furnished by Mr Clarke, & read it to Mr Corcoran who objected to the words "complete payment" in it, & at his suggestion changed it to "partial payment or advance", & sent it for his signature, which done I added a private note and mailed it.

Private letter from Mr Koehler, who has taken charge of the Magazine of Art New York (in place of Mr Benjamin resigned) & wants me to contribute brief sketches of the Garfield Memorial Pictures, & other art matters here. Wrote to him I would.

Card of invitation to myself & friends ~~to exe~~ from Goupil & Co. N.Y. to examine a collection of Portraits, Etchings & Engravings, recently brought there by H. Herkomer A. R. A. the eminent artist of England. Had I the means nothing would gratify me more.

Received card & circular of Hamlet Stanley Philpot American agent for the Grosvernor Gallery London, recommended by Mr Ruskin. An imposing piece of old English letter press!

Mr Paris, artist called & spoke of certain pictures in London for sale.

Saw Mr Clark at the Capitol & explained the alteration by Mr Corcoran in letter to Ezekiel, about the payments. We looked at some of the pictures in the Rotunda, & I called his attention to a small landscape – "On the shore of Long Island" by Bricker of N.Y. price $300. which I hoped the gallery would buy. He requested me to call Messrs Kauffman's & McGuire's attention to it. The exhibit of pictures as a whole I an unworthy one. There is a fine portrait of George Bancroft, an Italian Lake Scene by Cropsey, two very good pictures by Geo. W Maynard, native of this city of about a dozen others above mediocrity. There is many indifferent pictures by artists of this city. The old Hall was a scene of confusion & impressed me as not at all the place of such an exhibition-. The Capitol should not be used for such purposes, particularly when such a poor exhibition of art is displayed.

Fall of the derrick in 17th. St. nobody hurt.

At half past 3 p. m. high wind blew down the slight plank supporting the guy rope of the derrick, which being slackened, was struck by a passing car, & caused the derrick to fall

^over^ in the street, striking the car-roof in the middle. Fortunately the telegraphic wires took off the force of the fall, or it would have crushed down the car. As it was it was half an hour, before the car was released. No one was hurt, but it was a lucky escape for the driver & horse. This is the second fall of the derrick that has happened under Bradley's managements.

V. 71 + 1 $17.75 C. 9 $2.25 P. $1.50

Nov. 25

Bright & very cold. Last night the coldest of the season.

Note from Mr Montague, requesting his photo not to be copied or photoed. Replied that we did not do such things, ≙ unless authorized by ^owner^.

Note from Earle & Sons. My "Corday" rec'd, & much commended.

Rec'd a note from Geo. Barrie, Phila. asking for the loan of an autograph of C.L. Elliott, artist, or a tracing of one. Having none, sent to J. C. McGuire for it.

Mr Bradley has the derrick up again, & has elevated the new pedestals to the niches. Statues will go up on Monday. Acknowledged the note of Rev. J. A. Doonan, Georgetown College, & stated it would be laid before the Art Committee & Trustees, some of whom would, doubtlessly, call & examine the painting of the "Call of St. Matthew," which the Faculty wish to sell.

Wrote to Mr Calverley Sculptor, acknowledging his letter about the bronze bust of Stuart.

Wrote to Mr Koehler, in reply to his request for Art Notes.

V. 490 C 23 $4.75 P. 7 $5.25

Nov. 26

Monday. Bright & bracingly cool.

Mr Bradley set up in its niche, the "Rubens". It looks finely.

Went to see the Art exhibit in the Capitol. Met Mr Clark who could not attend meeting of the Art Committee. Very few visitors there. The portrait of Geo Bancroft by Richter of Berlin is the finest work in the P. Gallery.

At 1 p.m. only Mr Kauffmann of the Committee came. Mr Corcoran & Mr J.C. McGuire present for a while. Laid all the letters that had accumulated, before Mr Kauffmann, no action taken on anything save an order to Barrie's agent to bind our "Art Treasures" in hf.

morocco for $22.00 two vols, & objection to copyists bringing in frames as unnecessary. He says he has a copy our "Penseroso" which he might sell to Mr Frelinghuysen.

I will send a note of thanks to Mr Polkinghorn for his present.

Requested him to see Bricker's "Long Island Beach". He favors offering a reward of $100. to detect the defacer of "Clytie".
Balt. & Pot. sent bill for frt. on statues $34.60. Knox's charge $10.00.

Mr. Montague, artist, called & took away his photo landscape.

Mr Egerton, Balt. with young ladies visited the gallery.

V. 78 + 3 $19.50 C. 7 $1.75 P. 75cts

Nov. 28

Cloudy & bitterly raw & cold. Signs of snow.

Note to Janitor from Baltimore, asking if Gallery will be open on Thanksgiving Day.

Bradley is setting up "Rembrandt." It is much stained & needs much cutting to place it in its niche. It was successfully placed in its niche & looks very well.

Mr Hyde said the Gallery would be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

Shewed to Mr Clark my advertisement & notice of outrage upon Clytie, to which he made some amendment to be shewn to Mr Kauffmann. Met in his room Mr Haulenbeck N.Y. who wishes her to place in the Gallery a full length of Genl. Z. Taylor, ^by Carl Brown^ & a portrait of Louis XVII. Came to gallery with him & shewed him our Gen. Taylors. Will bring the matter before the Art Committee next Monday. In the meantime he will see Mr Kauffmann. These pictures were to be sent to the Exhibition in the Rotunda, but were too late.

Rice sent up small improved photo of Mr Corcoran, good.

Barrie's agent took away our "Art Treasures" & left receipt & portfolio ^& also Mr Corcoran's.^

Note from Mdlle. Gengenebre Hubert, asking for rules for copying- & ^speaks of Last Days of Napoleon.^

Mr Fleetwood brought specimens of etchings of Modern English artists, -will call tomorrow – also Mr Philpot.
Wrote to Mr S. R. Koehler.

V. 430 C. 22 $5.50 P. ~~6~~ 2 $1.50

Novr. 29.

Three inches of snow this morning, & very cold. Bad for the Bycicle race appointed by today.

Wrote letter to Mr Sartain about the photo of Mr Corcoran, read it to the latter, & afterwards mailed it.

Mr Fleetwood called. Admired his etchings, which Messrs Clark, Kauffmann & J.C. McGuire liked, Mr Corcoran came in but did not give an order for a copy.

Wrote to Miss Hubert N.Y. & enclosed Copyist's Rules.

Sent advertisement of $100 Reward & notice of the closing of the Gallery to-^morrow – also the latter to Post & Republican.^
Visitors 127 + 39 166 $31.75 C. 20 $5.00 P. $10.00

Mr Haulenbeck called & said he had seen Kauffmann & Mr ~~J.C. McGuire~~ about admitting his pictures & that there will be no difficulty in doing so.

Nov. 30

Holiday. The Gallery is closed to the public.
Bright & cold.
Came here to do some private work, but was ill from a sleepless night in consequence of a rheumatic foot, & left at 1.p.m. in great pain.
Mrs Corcoran & daughter of Phila. (niece of Mr W.W. Corcoran) came in & after visiting the gallery, saw the Knight's Templar Procession, from this office.
Sent a notice to Mr Hyde about Hedgman's absence on Saturday.

Printed letter from J. C. Bolton & Son offering for sale a Japanese Curio (15 guineas) & pair of ancient Japanese Vases.

Note from Barrie, Phila. stating he can wait for Elliott's autograph.

Decr. 1

Cold & partly cloudy.
By advice of Dr Ashford, remained home all day to case my foot.

Letter from Mr Sartain Phila. accepting proposal for himself to engrave Mr Corcoran's photo. Admires my "Corday", & speaks of some foreign honors he has received.

Proposes to use line, stipple & mezzotint together, to do it before end of January. A ~~U~~ more finished style would require more time.
V. 180 + 42 $45.00 C. 13 $3.75
Note from Mr Hyde about Hedgman's absence, thinks I ought to have reported it to the Chairman of the Building Committee.
Letter from Mrs Benedict, Kiwannee, Ills. She will not return this fall to finish her copy of "Drove at the Ford". Wants it kept here.
Letter in French from Mr Herzog, Paris; ^to Mr Corcoran^ refers to a former letter to him offering a Raphael for sale, & hopes to hear from him.

Decr. 2.

Bright and mild.
At the Gallery, relieved of rheumatism.
Read to Mr Corcoran, Mr Sartain's letter, that pleased him, & by his direction I wrote to Mr S. to take his time to make the engraving in the best style. Asked him what would be the shortest time he needed, & added that Mr C. would send on Monday his autograph for use on this plate.

Reported Hedgman's absence on Saturday to Mr Clarke, who endorsed & sent it to Mr Hyde. Hedgman told me in excuse for his absence that while away to take Mr Martin (sick at home) his salary (wholly unauthorized) he lost his own salary! & was too busy trying to find it, to return here & report the cause!
Note from Hamlet Stanley Philpot, enclosing list of works he has for sale. Mr Paris, artist, called. Wishes me to attend his studio Dec. 9.

J.J. Horgan, left photos, of his & others; bits of sculpture now in the Capitol, which he wishes to exhibit in this gallery.

Rec'd a letter from Miss Tunstall, acknowledging ox-horns. Letter from B.F. Stevens, London, asking if willing to renew subsns. to sign enclosed ^request.^
Mrs. M. L. Larner left a "Detergent" for trial.

Dr Welling called & looked at the "Clytie" statue. Thinks it ought to remain as it is, for the present – face to the wall, until the blemish is invisible.

Mr Collin introduced Mr Bailly, Phila. sculptor who wishes to place in this Gallery, his statuettes of Gen. Mead & Chief Justice Marshall. Told him to address an application to the Art Committee on Monday.
V. 735 C. 30 $7.50 P. $4.50

Decr. 4.

A very frosty morning.

Letters from J.A. Bailly sculptor, Phila. requesting permission to exhibit his sculptures here, & from Mr Horgan to sell of exhibit his sculptures, of which he leaves photos.

Letter to the "Directors" from Georgetown College.

Mr Ulke, artist, called for permission to place his portrait of Blaine in this Gallery.

Mr Fleetwood left his "Works of Modern Artist-Etched-for the Committee to examine.

Mrs Bell sent for her portrait of a child by Lobrichon. Sent it.

Wrote to Wilson McDonald, N.Y.

Renewed subscriptions to periodicals to B.F. Stevens, London.

Art Committee meets

The Art Committee met at 1 p. m. Present Messrs McGuire & Kauffmann. Mr Clark is engaged at the Capitol. The following action was taken on letters &c.
1. Bolton & Son's, (London) offer of Japanese curiosities declined.
2. The Sisters of the Visitation's (Geotn') offer of a Murillo declined.
3. Mr Horgan's offer of a marble statues & plaster bust declined.
4. Mr Bailly's request to exhibit his statues here declined.
5. Mr Ulke's request to exhibit his portrait of Mr Blaine, declined.
Mr Haulenbeck's verbal request to exhibit pictures objected to, until the Committee sees them.
Mr Fleetwood's offer of "Etchings of Modern Artists" $100. declined.
Miss Hartwell's copy of Fontainebleau was passed. Mr H. S. ~~Montague~~ Philpot letter & list of works for sale on Commission, read ^& filed.^

The Curator was authorized to renew subscriptions to foreign periodicals with Mr B. F. Stevens, London. Wrote to him. He was also allowed to send for Mr Rakeman, to see what he could fo for the "Clytie".

Messrs Fleetwood & Horgan called & were told the decision of the Committee on their applications. They removed their works – a Book, & Photographs.

V. 34 + 15 $8.50 C. 6 $1.50

Decr. 5

Cloudy & raw, but in course of the day milder.

Letter from J. H. Scrim, Liverpool, offering for sale "two statues from Greece of the best Roman period, repaired in 2 or 3 places," photos of which are at the Smithsonian Institution."

Letter to me from Mr Calverly sculptor New York stating causes of the delay in executing the marble bust of Dr J. C. Hall – the difficulty of getting suitable from Italy & the illness of his wife. It will be finished in 4 or 6 weeks.

Letter from Gillespie & Co. Pittsburgh, enclosing $6.00 for 3 photos of "Corday", & "Vestal" figure. Sent them by express paid.

Gave Miss Hatch copyist's card. Will draw from casts.

Wrote to Mr ~~Montague~~ Philpot, to the "Sisters of the Visitation", & Mr Bailly, the decision of the Art Committee on their application.

Mr Corcoran came in, feeling very well. Read to him Mr Calverly's letter, which made him complain of Mr Ward's delay in making his bust. It seems that Mr Ward has written to Mr McGuire that the latter will not be done for some time, as he has not commenced it, owing to want to proper marble from Italy. He asked me to tell him of some person who can design the monument he has planned to be placed over the remains of John Howard Payne author of "Home! Sweet Home," which he is going to have brought at his expense ^from Tunis^ & buried in Oakhill Cemetery.

Rec'd letter of introduction of Mr Schouler, from Architect Clark. Mr S. is author of a work on the "Constitution" & wishes to learn all I can tell of the past history of this city – particularly of the administration of Mr Monroe! As this was the period of ^my^ earliest childhood to boyhood 1817-1825, I had confess that I was too young a man to furnish the material!

Written on the 6ths. Dec (

Wrote to J. C. Bolton & Son, London, declining the purchase of Japanese works, by order of Art. Committee.

V. 51 + 11 $13.75 C. 4 $1.00

Decr. 6

Bright and mild. Fine observations of the Transit of Venus across the sun, were taken here. Rec'd receipt for $4.00 from Tice & Lynch N.Y.

Letter from J. Sartain, acknowledging large photo of Mr C. He can't say now how much time he will need for the work.

Rec'd from Senate Chamber, a copy of the printed list of our Board &c.

Sent letter to Gillespie & CO. Pittsburgh, enclosing $1.17. balance due on his payment of $6.00 for photos $4.50. Frt. 30cts & postage 3cts.

Introduced Mr Poindexter, architect, to Mr Corcoran as a fit person to make a design for Payne's monument, & the Mr P. is to furnish a drawing of what is proposed – a flat tomb – a pillow coverlid thrown back, showing the name, the ^name of his^ great song, & Dates of Birth & Death.

At Mr Corcoran's request sent a note to Dr Welling expressing a wish that a meeting of the Board be called for Saturday next here, to meet Mr W. Story, sculptor. Received an answer concurring with Mr C's wish.
Mentioned to Mr Corcoran Mr Schouler's wish to meet him, & he acquiesced cheerfully, & wishes to see ^him^ this afternoon between 4 & 5 o'clock.

Mr F. B. McGuire came & read Calverley's letter. At his request wrote to Mr C. telling him when the Hall bust is finished to send it here to me.

Mr Schouler called. I sent him to Mr Corcoran.
V. 51 + 11 $13.75 C. 4 $1.00

Decr. 7

Cloudy & with a high raw wind from the north. In the afternoon intensely cold. Communications rec'd from the Interior Dept. for the President, Vice Prest. & Secretary & Treasurer of the Gallery. Sent to them.

Letter from Mr Sartain. Had rec'd the autographs of Mr Corcoran, he is at work on the plate, & thinks he will be able to submit it to Mr Corcoran's criticism early in January.

Mr Haulenbeek's pictures.

Letter from J. H. Haulenbeck 39 Park Row N.Y. stating he had forwarded to this Gallery his pictures of Gen Taylor & Louis XVIII, as freight per Penna. Rl Rd. & requesting me to send for them, & pay expenses, for which he would remit. He is coming to W. next week. I showed the letter to Mr Kauffmann who gave a draft for reply which I sent, stating that Mr K. had understood him to ask for a safe place to deposite his pictures until he could determine what to do with them – as they arrived too late to be taken in at the Capitol Fair – I told him it would be best not to send for the pictures until I heard from him.
Sent word to Knox not bring them here.

Another blackguard defaced the Thorwaldsen Venus indecently.

Dr Welling called & left order to call a meeting of the Board on Monday at noon, to meet Mr Story, who will be here.

Wrote to Mr Herzog, Paris, declining purchase of his Raphael.
Mr. Schouler, Boston, called. Had been pleasantly received by Mr Corcoran.
Sent card to Mr Rakeman, asking him to call to-morrow.

V. 250 C. 31 $7.25 P. $2.75

Dec. 8

Last night & this morning, the coldest of the season.

Wrote to Profr Baird for the photos. of "Roman Statues from Greece", offered for sale to this Gallery by Mr Scrini Liverpool. Messenger failed to go.
Mr Montague, artist, brought his picture of Pyramid Lake, painted in black & white. It is a highly-finished artistic work. He left a letter to the Art Committee. He was struck with the truthfulness of Church's "Demascus".

Mr Corcoran called. Read to him Sartain's letter.
The Board will meet on Monday to meet Mr Story.
Miss Riggs called.

V. 65 + 3 $16.25 C. 8 $2.00 P. $3.00

[Dec. 9]

Bright & bracing – not so cold as yesterday.

Mr Geo. M. Ryer, advance agent for Miss Mather, actress, came to show a breast-pin, & to know if the head on the stone did not represent hero. It does, & ^is^ very strikingly like out bust of Nero.
Profr. Baird sent word he would look up & send here the photos. of the Scrini Roman statues.
Mr F.B. McGuire called. Thinks with me that after the second outrage in our cast-room, admissions to the Gallery should be by card – He thinks Mr Walker's pictures could be admitted. I saw the latter at his room & ^he^ wishes to exhibit his "Battery" & "Horseguards, London."
V. 350 C. 18 $4.50 P. $2.50

Decr. 11

Cloudy & cool.
Went in search, but found he had changed his residence.

Mr Montague sent up another painting for exhibition "Xmas Eve, Eddystone Light House, England" with storm effect & glimpses of moonlight. A poor work, unnaturally blue in the rocks & water, showing that he has no gift of color, & can only paint in chiar oscuro – black & white.

Mr Matthews brought up his portrait if Garfield for sale & exhibition.

Meeting of the Board with Mr Story the Duke of Newcastle & Dr Langley

At noon the Board assembled to meet Mr Story: present Mr Corcoran, Dr Welling, Messrs. Hyde, Profr. Baird, F.B. McGuire, and Mr Kauffmann. Mr Story was here five years ago, & he looks well, & talks with his usual animation. He is here in reference to his statue of ^the late^ Profr. Henry, & he is also engaged to make a statue of the late Chief Justice John Marshall. I took the opportunity of telling him of my father's house, when I was a boy, being next door to the house (one of the Law Buildings, Capitol Hill) where all the Judges of the Supreme Court boarded – no other boarders allowed to be there – not even the servants allowed in the room at their meals – according to their custom in those days- and how familiar I was with the sight of all those venerable men, his father included, Judges Marshall, Duvall & Washington & others. He was greatly interested in what I said – wanted to know which was the house - & particularly asked me about Justice Marshall, his form, & manner in the Court, & outside. I mentioned Marshall's sedate grave appearance, no marked animation when speaking in Court; his swarthy visage - his old fashioned coat with broad skirts, his knee-breeches & black-stockings, and peculiar long rapid stride in walking as though he were skating. I spoke too of his habit of very early exercise, how I & my brothers while on our way to school at sunrise in the winter, would regularly meet him on Pa. Avenue coming from his morning walk, and always greeting us with "Good morning!" "boys!" I mentioned also to Mr Story, that in my opinion, Powers' bust of Marshall was the only likeness, that ever gave the intense concentrated expression of intellect in the brow.
Mr Eustis, brother of Mr Corcoran's son in law, also came in. A few minutes after entered the young Duke of Newcastle with his medical attendant. He is only 18 years old, very short & delicate looking, and evidently has inferiority in his legs, which though not deformed, seem to be so weak, as to give him a tottering motion. He is a modest, retiring gentleman & ^of^ unassuming pleasant address. Dr Langley is a tall young fellow, very intelligent, but having in his manner & movements much of the gaucherie of his young countrymen. The party was escorted through the galleries, & his Grace & his friend admired the choice works very much. It was remarkable however that the pictures that pleased him most apparently, were Brown's "L Allegro & Penseroso:, and A Mount's "Long Story", the story of which I explained to him. I mentioned to him that when I ^a young man^ went to Glasgow, Scotland, I saw the bridal-party of his grandfather ^Earl of Lincoln^ (who married the daughter of the Duke of Hamilton) there. He was afterwards Duke of Newcastle, & visited this city with the Prince of Wales in 1860.

Mr Story's anecdote of Meissonier

While looking at the "Le Regiment qui passe", I pointed the portraits of Meissonier & Detaille, & Mr Story spoke of the self- asserting, proud & exacting disposition of the former as an illustration told the following: At the distribution of the medals of the Salon or grand Exposition at Paris in 1878 it was supposed that Meissonier having received so many medals, would not expect the first one, but when he heard this idea, he declared "if you don't give me the first gold medal. I will commit suicide!" Whereupon the jury exclaimed "Oh don't do that!" & gave him the medal! Before our distinguished ~~que~~ visitors, Dr Langley copied the latin legend from Dr Hall's print of Aurora, and saw he would hunt up the source of it when he revisits Rome.

Meeting of the Art Committee

The Art Committee – composed of Messrs Kauffmann McGuire held a short meeting with the following results:
Letters from Mr Montague asking permission to exhibit here for 30 days, his two pictures were read. The Committee assented to allow it for the "Pyramid Lake", but refused it to the "Eddystone". The Curator notified him.

Mr Matthews' Garfield was allowed exhibition. It was considered a good likeness, but the color not approved.

Mrs Ward's "Fun & Fright" & Mrs. Dorsey's "Vestal" figure were passed.

Le Clear's portraits of Grant & Prest. Arthur

Mr. Andrews introduced Mr Peck a friend of Le Clear, artist & wished to exhibit here the portraits of Grant & Prest. Arthur. Told him that Art-Committee would act upon his proposition next Monday.
Mr Rakeman came & repaired the Clytie.

V. 59 $12.75 C. 7 $1.75 P. 2 $1.50

Dec. 12

Bright and pleasantly cool.

Long letter from Mr Haulenbeek about his two pictures. Shewed it to Mr Kauffmann who agrees with me that we cannot exhibit the Taylor portrait for want of room, but will receive the other, if he is willing. Wrote to him.

Letter from Mr Ezekiel, Paris Nov. 29. Has my letter of 17th. & is waiting for my next with the Committee's action. Has ordered a photo of his "Eve" to be sent here. Has refused twice to make it in marble. Thinks it his best work.

Letter from J. R. Lamdin, asking for Rules for Exhibiting pictures here, as he has "some of national importance", he would like to send here to sell. Sent Rules, but told him there was no available space at present for his pictures.

Mr Clark came with Dr & Mr Miller. The latter is to repair the ceiling of main gallery, & use swing scaffold. He wants to see Mr Rykemann, whom I told.

Mr Montague's "Eddystone" was taken away.
Letter from Miss I.A. Alford, asking price of catalogue. Answered.

Medical Director Hord, called for some facts about the King portrait of Henry Clay for Lexington friend. Gave the sketch about in the Catalogue.
Miss Johnson called.
Mr Clarke sent Capt. Jack, to work on the damaged ceiling.
Saw Mr Galt about the clock. Will attend to it after holidays.
V. 300 C. 19 $4.75 P. 3 $2.25

Dec. 13.

Rainy, & raw- hail at 6.a.m.

Rec'd from the Smithsonian Institution, a catalogue of its publications. Returned a receipt for it.

Letter from John Horn, 280 St Urbain St. Montreal, requesting a portrait of engraved portrait of Mr Corcoran, as one of the early friends of the Telegraph & Electricity. Sent a copy of the last photo by Rice from Guillaume's picture, & at Mr. C's told him he would receive a copy of the engraved copy in January.

Find that Mr Clark's men have taken our ladders for their work, & therefore cannot hang Matthews' "Garfield" and Montague's "Pyramid Lake", as I wished, but placed them temporarily in the East Gallery.

Mr Rakeman finished repair of Clytie, & charged nothing.

Saw Mr Corcoran who is housed to-day, & read Ezekiel's & Horn's letter ^to him.^

Wrote to Mr G. H. Scrini, Liverpool, declining 2 Roman statues.
Received the photos of them from Profr. Baird.
A visitor called my attention to an error in Catalogue stating the original marble is in the Vatican – It is in the Louvre as the pedestal states.

Sent 4 dollars to Tice & Lynch N.Y. for B.F. Stevens London, Engd.

V. 58 + 5 $14.50 C. 12 $3.00 P. 2 $1.25

Dec. 14

Bright and mild.

Capt. Jack & his men put up a scaffold in Main Picture Gallery to repair the ceiling. He took down the small hook ladder.

Postal from J.S. Earle & Son, ordering 3 large "Vestals", sent with letter.

Mr Galt's men came & worked at the clock, will finish the job to-night.

Rec'd from J.W. Bouton (through Mr Corcoran) printed fac-simile (with translation) of a letter from Meissonier artist, referring to the former's publishing an edition of M's works. from Lecadier and endorsing Mr Bouton's edition in Americas as the ^only^ one he approved.

Sent a copy of the Art Committee's letter of Nov. 23. to Mr Ezekiel, by request of Mr Corcoran.

Sent postal to Profr Baird, acknowledging Scrini's photos, & asked if I were to return them, after examination by Art Comttee.

Mr Chas. W. Hassler, Bergen Point N.J (brother of Mrs. Profr. Newcomb called. he has been in Europe, saw Chialiva at Ecouen, who wishes to know something of this Gallery. Wants me to send him Catalogue which I have done. Mr H. wishes to have a copy of his Grandfather Profr. Hassler, now in the Gallery.
Mr Littlebridge, (Scribner & Son's) shewed a work "Trouvelot's Astronomical Drawings" $75, will bring it up on Monday.
Wrote to Mr Babbitt J. C. about my "Corday."
Telegram (I paid for it 25cts) from Mr Haulenbeek, N.Y. He will be here tomorrow.
V. 376 C. 26 $6.50 P. 50

Decr 15

Very cold, and somewhat hot & cloudy.

Mr Horatio King called to see me.

Letter from Miss Alford, enclosing 28cts in stamps for catalogue. Sent with postal.

Rec'd from Tice & Lynch N.Y. receipt for $4. for subsn. to B.F. Stevens.

Note from Chas. Meves, Phila. wants to have "explained the "Amazon Mother" by Leutze - & a catalogue sent C.O.D. Told him the price of catalogue.

Letter from Miss Anna B. Dana, New York, 44. W. 22d. St. He brother Wm. P.W. Dana, American artist in Paris, wants to exhibit here here a Marine painting, 6 or 7 ft long x about 4 ft. high & she wishes to know the terms & conditions of exhibiting pictures. Replied that her letter wd be laid before the Art-Committee & I would send her notice of its action, meanwhile sent her the "Rules".

Rec'd from Balt. printed notice of a public sale to take place in Phila. by Thomas & Sons. of a painting by Schidone, brought from Europe by Joseph Bonaparte, & given by him to Dr Nathaniel Chapman in Novr/31.

Mr Corcoran came in. Leaves the purchase of a Garfield to the Art-Committee.

$100. from Mr Hyde for Cont. Fund.

Took my Contingent Fund a/c to Mr Hyde, & drew $100 for the Fund.

V. 88 + 11 $22.00 C 15 $3.75 P. 1 25

Dec. 16

Bright & very cold. Another cold wave.

Asst. Curator absent: sends word he is unwell.

Mr Clark called. Ordered scaffold in Gallery to be strengthened.

Telegram from Cyrus Cobb, N.Y. requesting his Washington to be forwarded in Monday to W.J. Roberts 28. West 14th. St. N. Y.
Sent to Taylor to have it boxed on Monday. Wrote to Cobb, would send it as freight, unless telegraphed to contrary on Monday.
Mr Poindexter shewed me designs for Payne's monument by Mr Corcoran.

Mr Bierstadt called for a few minutes.

Miss Eustis, her niece Miss Lulie, & Mr Pennington, artist, called. Spoke to latter about getting sketches from Detaille & others, to be etched for an illustrated Catalogue. He thought it doubtful if it could be done, & says Detaille would undoubtedly charge handsomely for such work. He says such men never give anything. Mr P. will call again.

Sent a catalogue to Chialiva, artist, Ecouen, France.

Paid Mr Collin five dollars for the plaster leaves for the "Dying Gaul" & Hermes.

V. 315 C. 27 $6..75 P 10 $7.50

Dec. 18

Bright and cold.

Mr Haulenbeek came in, & is gone to have his smaller picture sent up here.

The agent for Trouvelot's Astronomical Drawings, brought them to show to the Committee. They were much admired.

Letter from Mrs. Admiral Dahlgreen brought by her brother Mr Wm. Wirt, son of the late Attorney General Wm. Wirt, requesting that the portraits of her father & mother by St. Memin, be delivered to her nephew John Wirt Randall grandson of Wm Wirt. Told Mr Wirt they would be delivered at anytime.

25 Cordays from Jouy accepted.

The Art Committee met at 1 p.m. Messrs. Kauffmann and Clark present. Mr McGuire absent.

Mr Haulenbeek's letter was read. His Louis XVII will be admitted. Messrs Ezekiel's & Lamdin's letters were read & ordered on file.

Miss Dana's letter was read, & the Curator's directed to say her brother's painting would be accepted for exhibition.

Notwithstanding M Pennington's hints, I am to write to ~~write~~, Detaille & Leroux about their designs for the illustrated Catalogue.

Miss Holmes' copy from St John's Eve passed.

The Committee thought the Gallery ought to be open on Christmas Day, at least part of the day, & suggested that I should arrange for it, but I said ^such^ a change needed the action of the Board, as the rule prescribes that the Gallery "should shall be open every day (Sundays & public holydays excepted." I saw Mr Hyde & he is opposed to opening it on holydays according to the rule, which must be altered by the Board.

The portrait of Louis XXII, by ^James^ Bogle, was brought here at 3 p. m. It has much of the style of the face of Louis XXI, and is painted with vigor. He was born in 1787. Died in 1858. Several articles were published nearly 30 years ago, to prove his claim to be the son of Louis XVI & Marie Antoinette. He was a clergyman by
V. 34 $8.50 C. 8 $2.00 P. 2 $1.00
name Rev. Eleazar Williams of the Protest Episcopal Church, translated several books for the Indians, & in 1814, was desperately wounded at the battle of Plattsburgh, as an American soldier.

Dec. 19

Bright and cool: fine winter weather.

Letter from David Bendann Balt. ordering two copies of the largest "Charlotte Corday" photos. sent by express, & sent bill.

Letter from Secy Geo. Corliss, Penn. Acady Fine Art. Has by direction of A. G. Heaton artist, shipped his two pictures (with one frame) "Bathing Hour at Trouville" & "The Recall of Columbus" to this Gallery, by Penn. Road.

Wrote to Miss Dane, conveying the A. Committee's consent to exhibiting in this Gallery, Mr Dana's marine painting.

Sent postal for 30 "Sacred Bull" to Rice, & 2 each of Mr Corcoran's photo, large & small.

Mr Taylor came & boxed the Cobb "Washington" & gave bill.

A box addressed to Mr Cochran ~~from~~ for Senator Vance from N. Ca. was brought here yesterday, but I declined to receive & pay $2.75cts for freight until I knew something about it. After the Gallery closed it was brought here by Senator Vance's order, and Thomas took out the picture. It is an ordinary affair, in old costume & extremely dirty.

V. 235 C. 17 $4.25 P. $3.75

Decr. [20]

Cloudy & raw – signs of snow or rain.

Letter from Knaedler & Co. N.Y. order 12 large sized "Cordays". Sent to Rice for new ones & sent them by express. Wrote letter with bill.

Rice 38 Large Cordays. Declined 10.

Mr Haulenbeek & his friend Col. called. He wants the Louis XVII repaired before being exhibited. I recommended Fletcher, & he assented. Sent word to latter.

Men at work on the ceiling of Main Gallery of Pictures.

Mr F. B. McGuire called. He is opposed to opening the Gallery on Christmas. I told him that the the rule opposed such a proposition, & that the Board would have to change it.

Knox took away the "Washington" boxes, & I sent the receipt to Mr Cyrus Cobb, in my letter of yesterday.

Mr Fischer sent up the Curator's Records – accepted.
Sent wrote to Mr Corliss Penn. Academy.
Rec'd Heaton's two pictures from Phila. paid $4.90 for freight.
The "Recall" is a showy picture, but the Trouville is ordinary.
Got Taylor to put the frame together, & place the former in it.
Mr Corcoran called, but knew nothing of the picture sent by Senator Vance.
Mr Walker artist called. Told him would send for his pictures this week.
V. 47 x 2 $11.75 C. 7 $1.75 P. 2 $1.50

Decr. 21.

A light snow last night was melted by rain. Raining all day.

Mr Fletcher called & will come for Louis XVII, when rain stops.

Men at work still on the stucco of Main Gallery.

Card from Mrs. Dana. Will send Mr Dana's Marine in a few days.

Wrote to A. Heaton – The Heaton & Denckla Hardware Co. Philadelphia, enclosing bills for freight - $4.90, & for unpacking pictures & frame & hanging picture here, ↑$2.50↓ for his son A.G. Heaton, artist, at his request.

Transferred Guillaume's "Commodore Maury" to the E. gallery, & removed Phelps' Lady & Child to S.E. Gallery.

Received Art Journal & Portfolio from London.

Mr Jos. McGuire called.

30 Vignette "Napoleon" ordered from Jouy.

V. 140 C. 7 $1.75 P. 4 $2.50

Decr. 22

Raining & the weather damp, though mild.

Rec'd printed Report of the Bureau of Printing & Engraving.

Mr F.B. McGuire called. Took two photos. He likes both of Heaton's pictures very much. Art-Committee will meet on Tuesday 26.

The man at work on the ceiling expects to finish this afternoon.

Mr Story's views on the work of Phidias & other antiques.

Mr Story the sculptor called to talk with me about the casts required for the Medieval Hall. He agrees with me that we ought to have the "Ludovico Medici" there, & that there are too many bass-reliefs. In viewing the antique casts he doubts whether Praxiteles executed the "Hermes", and as to the so-called works in marble by Phidias, he insists that he only worked in bronze gold & ivory! He furnished an exhaustive article to Blackwood's Magazine some 8 years ago, to prove this. I must look it up.
He advises the elevation of Minerva & Commerce at least one foot above their present position.

V. 41 $10.25 C 1 25cts. P. 1 50cts

Decr. 23

A bright, mild day at last.

Rec'd from A. Heaton cheque for $7.40 for freight on his son's pictures ↑$4.90↓ & for unpacking & hanging same ↑$2.50↓. He has mailed to him ~~a~~ descriptions of them. Acknowledged it.

Saw Mr Clark at the Capitol. He authorizes me when the stucco repairs in the Gallery ceiling are dry, to get Mr Rakeman to fresco the work.

Mr Corcoran called. Has heard nothing about the picture supposed to be for Senator Vance. He went off to see Mrs Vance about it. He is impatient to hear again from Ezekiel.
Mr. Fletcher called & took away Louis XVII. He will not be able to have it ready for one week.

Telegram from G.F. Kelly N.Y. ordering photo of :Napoleon," if not over $2.00, & requesting reply by telegram. Sent one at .75cts. to be ~~re~~paid in stamps, & telegraphed to that effect.

Mr Matthews called.

V. 325 C 8 $2.00 P. 12 $11.35

Decr. 25.

Christmas. Holiday. Bright & very mild. Came to the gallery at 10 a.m. Found several gift letters, & a letter from Mr. Philpot expressing surprise that the Art.-Com: & myself had not called.

Decr. 26

Bright & cloudy alternately. Pleasant temperature.

Mr Corcoran left here word for me to call on Mr Philpot at the "Osborne." Went there. He had gone to Baltimore until Friday, but his assistant showed me the pictures, engraving &c. They are of varied interest. A large oil-painting by Geo. Cole an old English artist, -- view on the Thames - $1500. –"Autumn Leaves" by Parton (in American) a gem, $200. A portfolio of Drawings chiefly by old masters $300. An etching of Darwin $125 – of Tennyson - $125. Many water colors of no particular merits. Among the books a folio edition (4 vols.) of Piranesi "Roman Antiquities" for $75 – a valuable & very cheap work.

Got from Mr Corcoran, a letter he had received from Ezekiel, in reply to the Committee's proposition. He accepts, & in January will proceed to Rome. Wants $1000 in advance. Has sent a photo of his "Eve" (not rec'd here) which he says is not good.

Mr Matthews Wilson an old artist friend of mine whom I have not seen for 36 years, called. Is in search of a room to paint portraits. Gave him a note to him to Mr Hyde to learn if there is one to be had in the Corcoran Building. He wishes to paint my portrait, & I have agreed to give him sittings.

Sent a note to Mr Walker to send up his pictures before noon. They were brought here by Mr Amidon.
Sent some Art Notes to Mr Koehler, Roxburg.

Meeting of Art-Comee.

The Art Committee met at 1 p. m. Present Messrs. Kauffmann & Mc.Guire. Mr Clark absent.
Mr Corcoran came in for a while.

Mr Ezekiel's last letter was read- & his photo of his statue of Eve, sent to Mr Corcoran, was exhibited. It represents the "Mother of Mankind" in a contorted attitude, with outspread arms & hands, & bowed head – "hearing the voice of the Lord God in the Garden." It is not an attractive work – not repose nor delicacy, nor expression in it – that is, so far as the photo, represents.
The Curator was directed to write to Mr Ward for a photo of the profile view of the bust he took for Mr Corcoran.

Mr Philpot's letter was read, & after the meeting, the Committee went to examine his art-works.

The Committee examined Mr Heaton's pictures & admired them.

Mr. Walker's military pictures were allowed to be exhibited.

Mr Kauffmann left many newspaper-slips for future reference.
The Committee ordered the "Family of Columbus" to be taken to the cellar.

V. 780 C. 34 $8.50 P. $3.75

Decr. 27

Cloudy but mild.

Mr. Corcoran 84 years old to-day.

Mr Corcoran attained his 84th. year to-day. He will have a family reception at the "Louise Home" to his friends to-day, his recent attacks warning him against holding the night reception of past few years. He is wise to make this change. His health is excellent.

Sent Hooe's Bros. bill for carpets &c for the "Ladies Rooms" to Mr Hyde, uncertified, as I know nothing about it.

Hung Mr Walker's pictures in the west side-gallery, & hung Church's Damascus in the southwest gallery, where it looks much better. Sent for Mr Taylor who with two men & Cassidy, took down, boxed & put in the cellar the picture of "Columbus & his family".

Wrote to Mr Ward requesting him to send as soon as possible a profile photograph from his bust of Mr Corcoran.

Took the last portion of the Catalogue to Mr Gibson.

V. 86 x 5 $21.50 C. 9 $2.25

Decr. 28.

Bright and mild.

Mr Clark called. Wants Rakeman to fresco the repairs in the Main Gallery ceiling, in a week, & the Asst Curator is to get an electrician to repair the burners, that were broken off. He likes "Recall of Columbus".

Mr Hyde sent a note to me to pay for the printing of blanks for all bills sent to the Gallery, if the cost does not exceed five dollars.

Wrote to Detaille, Paris, France, about our wish to have our illustrations for a catalogue. made by the artists of the pictures. Got Mr Guillaume to correct the French of my letter, & sent it off.

Mr Brady called & left his card for his new business place.

A large number of visitors from a distance, attended here.

Mag; Williams U. S. Marines & wife called to see me.

V. 1175 C. 56 $14.00 P. $8.00

Dec. 29

Bright & very mild.

Mr Guillaume artist, called. He is satisfied with the position of his Commodore Maury, & will not at present varnish it.

Mr Wilson artist, also called, & stated his studio is 32 Corcoran Building. I called theref afterwards, & he will begin a portrait of myself for a sample of his works, tomorrow.

Letter from Messrs A.B. Dana, N.Y. enclosing signed "Rules" for Mr Dana's Marine picture which soon after arrived. It is a very powerful work called "Breakers in the Channel Islands," near the island of Jersey. Its handling broad & vigorous, and in the modern French method, but with a want of aerial softness in the sky, & of fleeciness in the spray of the breakers. Bold towering rocks stand amid the foam & rush of the waves. It is marked 1879, and was exhibited in the Salon, & his "Solitude" (exclusively a <u>sea</u> view) was <u>medalled</u> in 1878, & purchased for Count Palffy's Gallery, Paris. The price is $2,000.
Wrote to Miss Dana, & enclosed bill ↑60cts.↓ for bringing in, & opening the box.

Mrs. C. M. Matthews & children came in. She admires the pictures of Mr Walker, particularly "Battery B. 2d. Arty."

Mr Philpot called. Will leave for New York on Monday. Hopes the Gallery will buy some of his things.

V. 120 + 13 $30.00 C. 12 $3.00

Mr Gibson sent up proofs of last part of the new edition of catalogue. Corrected & returned them.

Dec. 30.

A sprinkle of snow last night. Today cloudy & damp.

Postal from Earle & Sons ordering 3 large "Vestal Tuccias" single figure, & asking for the a/c to date. Sent former by express, and the latter in a letter.

Letter from P. M. Jordan Hudson, N.Y. enclosing three dollars for 4 photos of Parthenon: sent them & wrote.

Ordered 30 "Parthenon" from Rice.

Mr Andrews artist called, as also Mr Walker artist. The latter was pleased with the position of his pictures. Price of "Horse-Guards" $1200 - "Battery B" $1,000.

Messrs. F. B. McGuire & Kauffmann called. The former was pleased with the "Breakers" by Dana. The Art-Committee will meet on Tuesday at 1. p. m.
Letter from Miss A. B. Dana, asking about insuring Mr Dana's "Breakers".
V. 835 C. 45 $11.25 P. 6 $5.75

Dec. 31

Sabbath bright and mild, auspicious of a "goodly day tomorrow!" – So dies calmly & peacefully the year 1882, and so closes this Record of its doings in this Gallery!